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AT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

DR. SHEPARD'S SCHOOL IS MAKING PROGRESS

TO BE ROYALLY RECEIVED BY THE ELITE

"The Messiah" Scores a Success—Christmas at the Howard—"Douglass Home" to be Made a Mecca for the Negro.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

Dr. J. E. Shepard in Town.

Dr. James E. Shepard, president of the National Religious Training School, one of the South's most brilliant young men, spent two days in the city this week on business connected with his uplifting work at Durham, N. C.

The National Religious Training School has enjoyed a phenomenal growth. Although one of the South's youngest institutions, it ranks well with the oldest in point of size and quality of instruction offered. The school covers thirty-six acres of fine rolling land, and there are now eleven substantial buildings, three of which are brick, and new features are constantly being introduced into the curriculum and improvements are being made every day in the equipment of the technical branches. The plant is estimated to be worth not less than $125,000. Among the influential patrons of the institution are Gen. Julian S. Carr, head of the big hosiery mills at Durham; Judge Peter C. Pritchard; Gov. R. B. Glenn, chief executive of the State of North Carolina; and the Duke family, the tobacco kings. Mrs. Russell Sage has been one of the strongest friends of the school from its inception.

Especial emphasis is laid upon the moral aspect of education, this being considered by Dr. Shepard as the keynote of all training that is worth while. January 23 he is to speak before Bethel Literary and Historical Association in this city, and will take for his theme: "Religious Training the Hope of the Race," giving a clear outline of his labors at Durham, and describing the scope and purpose of the Ministerial Conference he has called to meet at his school next July. The coming of Dr. Shepard is looked forward to with pleasure, and it will be made one of the most notable events that Bethel has known for many a day. A social function in Dr. Shepard's honor, given by the North Carolina Association, and the citizens of Washington, will follow the meeting at eMtropolitan A. M. E. church.

Handel's "The Messiah" Is Sung.

The superb rendition of Handel's majestic oratorio, "The Messiah," on Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the Andrew Rankin Memorial chapel by the Howard University Choral Society, was a distinct triumph for Miss Lulu Vere Childers, the directress, and all of the soloists who so magnificently sustained the principal parts. Mrs. Martha Broadus Anderson, formerly of this city, but now of Chicago, a graduate of the Chicago Conservatory of Music, has a high, sweet soprano, which she knows how to handle with fine effect, and she was easily the "star" of the occasion. Miss Childers, in addition to directing the great chorus, sang the contralto numbers, eclipsing all of her previous efforts. Mr. Roland W. Hayes, of isk University, now of Boston, was a pleasing revelation as a tenor, and Mr. W. W. Cooke, of New York, gave a faultless rendition of the baritone score. Their voices were all flexible, mellow and highly-trained, and blended beautifully in the concerted pieces. All were applauded to the echo after each number. The choral voices sang as one voice of each variety and its work could scarcely have been improved upon.

Miss Maude E. Young, as pianist, carried the difficult score without a break, and established herself anew as a skilled musician. Although coming during the fateful "week before Christmas," the attendance was gratifyingly large, the house being more than two-thirds full on each evening, and the appreciation manifested was all that could have been desired.

Christmas Week at the New Howard.

Christmas week at the New Howard is rivalling the record-breaking Thanksgiving engagement of Aida Overton Walker. The entire house, boxes and all, is being sold out nightly, and Monday night many were turned away. Cole & Johnson's famous "Sambo Girls," with Edgar Connor, a pocket edition of the late George Walker, with Blanche Deas, a prototype of Mrs. Walker, as the stars, are heading one of the best bills ever offered in a vaudeville theater. Not second in drawing power and capacity to please is J. Rosamond Johnson, who gives a new pianologue, with a number of original songs. His latest composition, "The Siberian Dip," was warmly applauded, and his rendition of Dunbar's "Li'l Gal" took the house by storm. Mr. Johnson is a prime favorite here, and is always sure of a "hand" when he comes this way. Others on the splendid bill were: Andrew Tribble and Jeff DeMount, "Just Two Picks"; Maharajah, "The Man of Mystery," a clever magician; Sandner and Gant, new to the East, but who made a pronounced hit in a neat and clean sketch; and Pinckney and Walker, a comedy duo, who held over from last week. The orchestra, under Prof. Alfred Ross, and the photo plays rounded out a highly enjoyable evening. Manager Thomas is all smiles and is doing the social honors with the grace of a Chesterfield.

For the New Year week another monster bill is promised.

Everybody is talking about Abbit Mitchell's new songs of last week, and the ladies went wild over her new gowns. Her repertoire included "Love is King," You'll Want eM Back," and "That Hypnotizin' Rag." Her interpretation of the latter two carried just a semblance of "rag" which with really classic merit, gave them a popular savor that made them delightful. On Wednesday Miss Mitchell sang at the Armstrong Manual Training school for the benefit of the faculty and students, and al voted her visit a treat of the rarest variety.

Y. M. C. A. Gets Mr. Rosenwald's $25,000 Check.

There is general rejoicing in the camp of the Colored Men's Branch of the Y. M. C. A. Having complied with the conditions prescribed by Mr. Julius Rosenwald, the Chicago millionaire merchant-philanthropist, Secretary Lewis E. Johnson received as a Christmas present the check for the promised $25,000. This brings the total up to the $100,000 marks, and the magnificent building on Twelfth street can be dedicated within a few weeks, fully equipped and free from debt. It is expected that President Taft will deliver the dedicatory address, and some of the enthusiasts of the organization are naming Easter Sunday as a fitting time for the grand celebration. Arrangements have been perfected for a monster mass meeting at the New Howard theater for Sunday afternoon, December 31. Mr. Rosenwald has been invited to be present as a special guest and there are hopes that he will be able to come. The establishment of this monumental structure will mark a new epoch in the life of the young colored men of the community.

Mortgage on Douglass Homestead to Be "Lifted."

Responsible men of the District are at work on a plan by which the mortgage of about $3,600 on the old home of Frederick Douglass may be "lifted." Some years ago the Frederick Douglass Memorial Home Association was formed, for the purpose of purchasing the Douglass mansion on Cedar Hill, Anacostia, and converting it into a national "Mecca," where the historic Douglass relics, papers and other things of a distinctive racial interest might be preserved and viewed by travelers year by year—just as Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington, is being visited by the people of the world. The effort of Dr. Booker T. Washington some time ago resulted in a clearing off of the debt due on the property, with the exception of something less than $4,000. It is believed by the promoters of this final movement that the necessary amount can easily be raised by giving a series of high-class entertainments here and in Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York, together with a special collection day in the churches of the country. "Ten cents from 40,000 persons would pay the $4,000 in a single day's collection," is the practical way one commentator put it. The plans and the names of the promoters will be given in a short time, and the work will be started in earnest. The property is occupied by the family of Mr. Whitefield McKinlay, collector of customs for the port of Georgetown.

Grand Master Wetherless and the Masonic Temple.

With "The Building of the Temple," as an issue, N. E. Wetherless, instructor in science at the M Street high school, has been re-elected for a third term as Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Masonic Order of the District of Columbia. He is a man of exceptional ability, and to him, more than to any other influence, is due the purchase of the property of the Lincoln Memorial Building Company, at Tenth and U streets as the site of the new Masonic Temple, which is to be erected within the next three years. Through the activity of Mr. Wetherless a Masonic Hall Building Association has been organized and from one-fifth of the craft the sum of $50,000 in subscriptions has already been raised. The building is to cost about $100,000. The lot has a frontage of 140 feet on Tenth street and 94 feet on U street. The association now owns two halls and three houses, representing a real estate value of $45,000. At the forty-sixth annual communication of the grand lodge, along with Grand Master Wetherless, the following officers were elected: W. G. Smith, deputy grand master; W. J. Abrams, senior grand warden; R. L. Stewart, junior grand warden; Henry Coleman, grand treasurer, and William H. Myers, grand secretary. The officers were installed Wednesday evening at the Masonic hall, Fifth street and Virginia avenue, southeast.

Banquet to Collector McKinlay.

The next notable banquet of the season will be tendered in honor of Mr. Whitefield McKinlay, the collector of customs for the Port of Georgetown, in which jurisdiction Washington's customs are paid. Mr. McKinlay is a native of South Carolina, but has been a resident of the District for many years, and is a potent factor in the business life of the Capitol. He is popular with both races, and every element of the body politic will join in the movement to honor the worthy man to whom President Taft has entrusted one of the most important federal commissions within his gift. The function will take place about the middle of January, at a cafe yet to be selected.

An Era of Harmony Prevails.

The visit of Dr. Booker T. Washington to this neck o' the woods last week brought about a better feeling among useful race factors that had become somewhat estranged for one reason or another. The "Wizard's" voice is always for peace, and when he made it plain that men whose interests lie in a common direction can only be effective when working in harmony, radiant sunshine began to dispel the frost that had been gathering for lo! these many days. Dr. Washington's latest visit was, in many respects, the most satisfactory he has made to this city in a long time, and at no time in his long and eventful career has his reception here been more cordial.

Dancy May Lead "the Boys."

Mr. John C. Dancy has returned from a lecture tour, covering points in New England and Pennsylvania. He goes into the field early in the new year in the interest of Dr. J. E. Shepard's National Religious Training School. Mr. Dancy's name is still mentioned in connection with the command of the forces in the trenches during the coming campaign.

Mr. Manning Was Warned Not to "Repeat."

It has leaked out that on the occasion of the recent visit of Mr. Joseph C. Manning to this city, to speak before the Bethel Literary Society, a warning was given that gentleman through the officers of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, the managers of the literary society and certain friends of Dr. Booker T. Washington, that any mention of the "Wizard's" name in any improper connection would lead to a prompt rebuke from them. It is also hinted that, remembering the episode of last year, several friends of the "Wizard" were on hand "cocked and primed" to reply in a manner that would leave nothing to the imagination. Fortunately, Mr. Manning stuck religiously to his text and nothing happened to disturb the serenity of the meeting. Few of the audience present knew that an embryo volcano had been smouldering at their very elbows. "All's well that ends well!"

Primary for District Delegates.

The committee designated to arrange for the election of delegates to the next Republican national convention will hold a meeting shortly to talk over plans. It is thought the primaries will be held some time in January. The committee is composed of Messrs. Leonard P. Bradshaw, John Lewis Smith and Andrew J. Thomas. The latest colored entrant to the race for delegate is Mr. James W. Poe, who has been endorsed by the Young eMn's Republican Club, at a meeting held at 321 Virginia avenue, southeast. The District delegation, whoever may be elected, will be for Taft.

Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis Sails.

Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the well-known elocutionist, sailed for St. George's Bermuda, last Saturday from New York City on the "Oceana." She will make a month's tour of the British Isle, returning for a series of recitals in New York and the South. Besides her work along dramatic lines, Miss Davis is prominently identified with fraternal orders and business enterprises, being officially connected with the Order of St. Luke, the Malachites and is secretary of the Home-Builders and Investment Company.

Chit-Chat of the Nation's Capital.

The colored newspapermen of Washington seem inclined to smoke the pipe of peace these days.

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A vigorous war against tuberculosis is being inaugurated, and the fight against alley houses is not being allowed to lag.

Dr. John Hurst, financial secretary of the A. M. E. connection, is a member of the committee that is raising $50,000 for Morgan College, Baltimore, to secure a like sum from Andrew Carnegie. Dr. Hurst is the favorite of his church for the bishopric, and will be elected.

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C. D. Sadler is the Washington representative of the Baltimore Times, and is a "hustler."

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L. C. Moore, of Mississippi, once a member of the legislature and of the constitutional convention of that State, has written a number of very creditable poems some of which have found their way into the local dailies. He is being urged to publish a volume of his more striking productions, and may do so. Mr. Moore is an' orator of note and is in frequent demand on the stump in campaign times. In politics, Mr. Moore is a Democrat of the Jeffersonian type.

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Mr. Charles Clinton, of Indianapolis, Ind., is spending the holidays here.

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A new Baptist Association for the District and vicinity, embracing twenty-eight churches, has been organized, with Rev. M. W. D. Norman as moderator.

An informal conference of members of the executive committee of the National Negro Business League was held in New York City last week. No decision was reached as to the time of holding the midwinter session of the committee, which is usually over by the end of December. Washington is still the reigning favorite as the logical point for the meeting. President M. M. Lewey, of the Press Association, will appoint his meeting for the same city as the league selects.

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J. E. Thomas, accused of killing his partner, Robert Chesley, and tried on an indictment charging murder in the second degree, has been acquitted. His attorneys were Thomas L. Jones and B. L. Gaskins.

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It is the universal belief that Charles D. Hilles will be the chairman of the Republican national committee, and will have active charge of the direction of the campaign.

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Hon. J. C. Napier, Register of the Treasury, has been chosen as a member of the executive committee of the Jeanes Fund Board, with which he has been connected since its formation.

Secretary MacVeagh, in his annual report, suggests that all of the Treasury Auditors be housed in a commodious new building. One of the six auditors, Mr. Ralph W. Tyler, auditor for the Navy Department, is a colored man.

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The colored men who were employed as laborers during the civil war have organized and will present a bill to congress, asking that they be paid the money withheld from their salaries while the war was in progress. To insure a campaign on business principles, these men have effected an organization and will push their bill systematically.

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Mr. George W. Jackson, formerly of Peru, Ind., for many years connected in a responsible capacity with the office of the auditor of the Post Office Department, was recently married to Miss Elizabeth Syphax, of Arlington, Va., Rector O. L. Mitchell, of St. Mary's Protestant Episcopal church, officiating.

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Mr. George J. Dawson, formerly of Indianapolis, Ind., is now making his home in this city, and is engaged in the tonsorial business. Mr. Dawson is a poet of great promise, as well as a talented violinist. He expects to place a volume of his poetic effusions on the market at an early date.

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Hon. Harry S. New, of Indianapolis, was the most-sought-after man among the throng which came here on account of the meeting of the Republican national committee. His election as chairman of the sub-committee in charge of the arrangements for the Chicago convention was a distinct personal triumph for Mr. New, who is immensely popular, as well as an assurance that the sympathies of the national committee were with President Taft for renomination. Mr. New will see to it that Indiana sends a Taft delegation to the convention next June. Another big Indianian who cut a big figure here during the meeting of the committee, was Hon. Joseph B. Kealing, who will second the efforts of Mr. New for a solid Taft delegation from Hoosierdom. It was a positive pleasure to meet these genial gentlemen from "my own home town."

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A dispatch to the Chicago Defender states that Mr. Charles J. Pickett, for many years connected with the fortunes of Senator Cullum, of Illinois, is being urged to stand for appointment as Assistant Register of the Treasury, in the event of a vacancy in that office. Mr. Pickett puts aside the temptation, and is quoted as saying that he feels that it is his duty to remain with his venerable patron, Senator Cullom.

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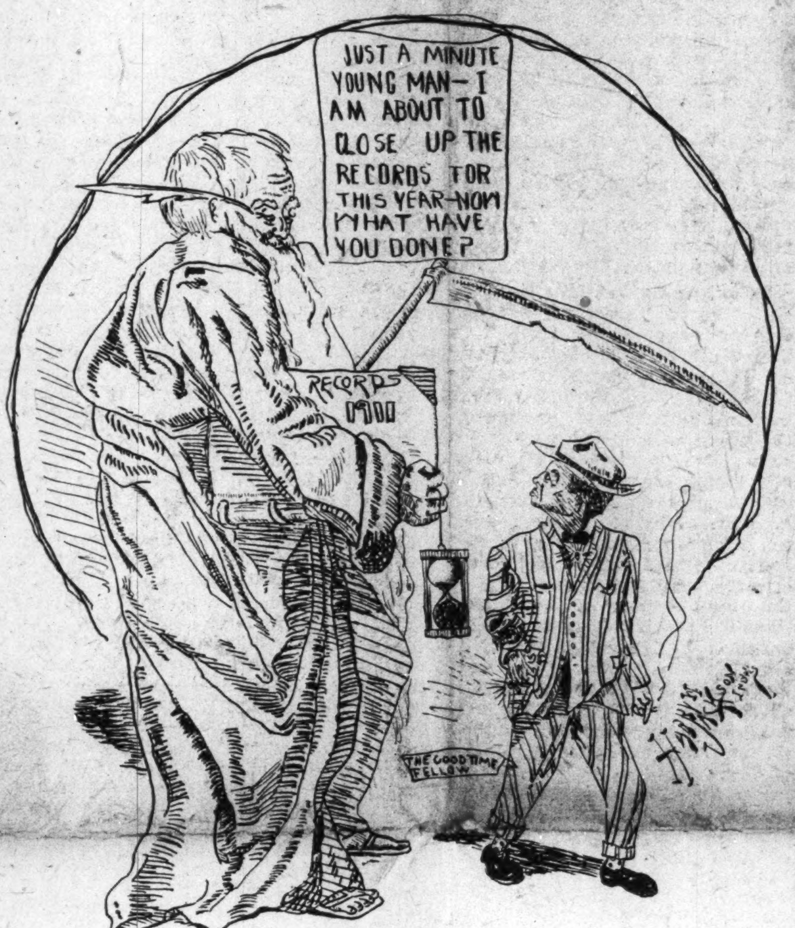
Your correspondent begs to thank his many friends for the numerous kindly Christmas remembrances that have been coming his way during this joyous season. We wish you, one and all, the richest blessings of Providence—good health, long life and abundant prosperity.

R. W. THOMPSON.

The Freeman can be secured from Louis Johnson every Saturday at the Maceo theater, Charleston, S. C.

As the Year Goes Out.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PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

A "SIDE SWIPE" AT OUR FRIEND TOLBERT

THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ENTERTAINS

John Hillman, a Well Known Mason, Dies—Christmas Tree for the Children at the Kentucky Home Society.

By Lee L. Brown.
(1006 West Chestnut Street.)

LOUISVILE, Ky., Special.

Our friend Tolbert, Correspondent of the Freeman amuses us at times. He seems to have it in for Louisville. last week he called the attention of our readers to the fact that our dear beloved little Frankfort on the banks of the Kentucky is making fast progress in the industrial world. This was good news and would have been alright if he had closed his article, but he closes by asking the question, "What has Louisville done?" Our correspondent keeps so busy that he seldom has a chance to come down to the Falls City and see what we are really doing along an industrial, educational and religious way. Take a week off, friend, and come down and visit the Metropolis of the state. you might find a few new ideas that will assist you in building the New Frankfort."

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The Louisville Industrial School gave their annual entertainment last Sunday morning in the chapel of the institution. After a very appropriate program was rendered, prizes were delivered to those who had made perfect marks in deportment. One colored boy was fortunate in receiving a prize. There were eight prizes in all.

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Mrs. S. R. Reed, the wife of Rev. Reed, pastor of the Asbury Methodist church was called suddenly to Covington, Ky., at the bedside of her brother. Mr. John Hillman who died last Friday. Mr. Hillman was a well known member of the Masonic Lodge. was the Grand Treasurer for a long term of years, also served as janitor of the Covington Court House for 32 years.

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It was an amusing sight, never to be forgotten, to see how the children at the Kentucky Home Society for Colored Children, located at 807 South Sixth street, enjoyed their Christmas tree. They were up at the break of day. Their little hearts were filled with joy when the doors were thrown open and they had a chance to peep at the tree filled with presents of all kinds. This was the first Christmas tree that many of these children had ever seen; in fact, it was the happiest day of all their little lives. The children at the Colored Orphan Home and other charitable institutions were well remembered by friends. The usual newsboys' Christmas tree, under the direction of Mrs. Bessie Allen, Juvenile Court officer, was held at the U. B. F. Hall.

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Mr. Tim Clymer will spend the week in Chicago.

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Rev. C. H. Parrish has returned to the city from New York City.

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The usual watch meeting services will be held at all of the churches.

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Miss Eleanor B. Lee is visiting her parents, at 1518 West Gray street.

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No, the wedding bells have not sounded yet. Hurry up; 1912 is leap year.

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Brown's School of Stenography will open January 4, at 1006 West Chestnut street.

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Mr. Amerus Davis entertained a number of friends last week at his residence.

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Mrs. Mildred Lewis, of this city, left Tuesday for Taylorsville, to be the guest of Mrs. Young.

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French Lick Springs, Chicago and St. Louis, have been well represented this Christmas in the way of visitors.

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Miss Mary Adair, of 110 South Brook street, spent Christmas in Lagrange, Ky., the guest of Mrs. Arena Beard.

Mrs. Rachel Shipley, the mother of Mr. Ben Shipley and aunt of Mr. David Stewart, died at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday.

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The Louisville Defender after an illness of two weeks is out again greeting her friends under a new management.

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Rumor has it that a certain popular teacher received as a Christmas gift a very handsome plain gold ring. What next?

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A number of Louisville teachers and persons interested in education attended the State Teachers' Association meeting in Paris, Ky.

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Mr. Tull Brown gave a recital in Henderson, last Tuesday evening. Quite a large crowd of citizens and music lovers were present.

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Many strangers are within our gates sojourning with friends and relatives who are using every effort to make their hours pleasant ones.

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The high school dance, to be given this week at the new U. B. F. Hall. is looked forward to with much pleasure by those who like to trip the light fantastic toe.

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Mr. Cal Brown was filled with the Christmas spirit on Christmas morning and distributed a large number of valuable presents among his friends and customers.

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Miss Emma Lee Claybrooks, one of Louisville's most popular young teachers enjoyed a very pleasant visit to Montgomery, Ala., during the Christmas holidays.

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Your Correspondent has been ill all during the Christmas week yet he has been able to gather a few facts of interest for those who look for Louisville news every week.

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Prof. H. F. Jones, grand chancellor of Kentucky Pythians, accompanied by several teachers from Henderson, passed through the city early Wednesday morning, en route to Paris.

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Every one seemed to have enjoyed the Christmas issue of the Freeman. the news stands sold out early. The folks say that it was the best ever gotten out at this season of the year.

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We hope next week to get a full list of the visitors who are in the city this week. Friends will please mail this information promptly to Lee L. Brown, 1006 West Chestnut street.

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Mrs. Katherine Blackshear, a teacher in the Henderson, Ky., public schools, was in the city Tuesday, the guest of Mr. Lee L. Brown and his mother. Mrs. Lucy Brown. Mrs. Blackshear was en route to Paris, Ky.

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Special services were held in all the churches Sunday and Monday mornings at a few of the churches there were special song services, the pews were filled with many ex-Kentuckians who were glad to be back home once more.

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Mr. F. O. Fane, special representative of the California Security Co., and the California Consolidated Oil Co. of New York City was in the city during the week. He was accompanied by Messrs. J. H. Beetles and Sol. Herb of New Haven, Conn.

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One of the swellest affairs of the Christmas week was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smith, of West Chestnut street, last Thursday afternoon, in honor of several visiting friends. We will give a full report of this affair next week.

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Misses Mary and Laura Adair, of 110 South Brook street, gave a surprise party on December 18, in honor of their mother's forty-sixth birthday anniversary. Those present were Frances, Laura, Mary and Bessie Adair, Tillie Thurston, Juanita Wilson, Henry Harris, Jr., Fred Payne and Charles Adair.

Rev. Manuel, pastor of the Baptist Church in Jeffersonville, Ind., preached his farewell sermon last Sunday evening. He has accepted a very important call in Virginia. Rev. Manuel is the father of the ever polite clerk in the People's Drug Store, at Twelfth and Chestnut streets.

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The thirteenth anniversary and New Year's greeting of Knox Presbyterian Church, celebrating the thirteenth anniversary of the ministry of the Rev. C. B. Allen, pastor, will be observed with appropriate exercises, Sunday, December 31. Col. Bennett H. Young, ex-moderator of the Synod of Kentucky, will speak on the subject, "The Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian Church."

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Madam McNardee Brice, the well-known palmist, of Indianapolis, was in the city last week, en route to Memphis, Tenn. She was the guest of Mrs. Lucy Brown. Madam Brice employed the entire service of the stenographer connected with the Brown Public Typewriting Shop for three days. A large number of letters were sent out from this office to all parts of the United States.

SOME SIDES OF CHICAGO PEOPLE.

Colonel Marshall has just returned from New York City, where he talked with everybody and Governor Dix on the regiment. The colonel recommended $500,000 for the new colored regiment, and when he got through talking with Governor Dix the executive decided to recommend $50,000,000.

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Will Adams, the tailor, the fashion plate of State street, is busy. The Bogus Prince of Hayti heard about his tailoring as recommended by Cary B., and the prince saw so many of Adams' suits on State street that he decided that he must have $10,000 worth of winter clothes, and he left his measure for that many spring clothes. Adams says he is now on Easy street, and will no doubt buy the Pekin Theater after further investing at Gary.

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Joe Snowden, the young millionaire real estate dealer, bondsman and good fellow, has been elected president of the Great Lexington Fair by the unanimous vote of the women. The men would not stand for his election, because he was a non-resident. He was put out, and he is now considering building a ten-story women's temple on one of his ten-acre lots. He is working night and day for votes for women.

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Dr. H. Clay Bryant, who has been a successful physician and surgeon at the Provident Hospital for one year, will leave the institution on December 15. He is now considering being appointed surgeon general of the new Chinese republic, and is taking a post-graduate course in chop suey at the Asia, preparatory to taking up his official duties. His credentials Plenipotentiary from Dr. John B. Murphy and Surgean Generals Sternberg and A Wilberforce Williams are on file at Pekin.

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Adjutant Louis B. Anderson is going to celebrate his (?) years as a public servant by taking a three months' tour of the great West, accompanied by his wife. He contemplates buying a ranch to spend his old days on.

At Mexico, Mo., Madam E. Azalia Hackley's concert was atended by a large number of white people, including the mayor of the city and his family. This is what Mrs. Hackley writes to her friends here. From the constant calls for Mrs. Hackley, it is expected that she will return to Chicago in the early spring.

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SUCCESSFUL NEGRO FAIR IN ALABAMA.

Colored People of Macon County, Alabama, Held Imposing Exhibition.

TUSKEGEE, Ala.—The Macon County Fair, held in the town of Tuskegee recently, was one of the largest and most imposing exhibitions ever seen in this neighborhood. The Montgomery Advertiser carries a full account of the fair, and we are glad to quote in part from this account:

"With the cheering of hundreds and to the martial strains of music rendered by the four bands, the big parade which formed in the public square marched down South Main street to the fair grounds, where the formal opening of the Macon County Agricultural Fair took place. Hundreds of people had already entered the fair grounds when the big parade arrived, and all day long people continued to flack into the immense inclosure. Soon after entering the fair grounds President Drakeford of the association addressed the crowd. He spoke briefly, but in his few words manifested an earnest appreciation to the people of Macon county in responding so liberally to the cause he had so zealously worked for during the past twelve months. He also bade everyone welcome to the city and extended to them the open arms of the city. Short addresses followed by others, including several specially directed to the farmers.

"The opening of the fair was made one of the greatest events in the history of Tuskegee. From early sunrise until the opening hour people continued to pour in from the surrounding country, anxiously awaiting the time when the parade should move on toward the grounds. Promptly at 10 o'clock the parade, composed of automobiles, buggies, wagons and pedestrians, began its outward march. In front were the city and county officials, followed by those of the fair association.

Smith Leads Parade.

"The parade was led by Captain N. Clark Smith and his famous band. The national airs were played, and when 'Dixie' was touched by the sixty pieces a thundering roar from thousands of throats greeted the musicians in response. Everybody possessed the real county fair spirit and worked to make it a great event. Practically every business house in the city closed and their occupants moved along with the great throng to witness the opening.

"The exhibits in the agricultural department were larger and more varied than they have been at any fair heretofore held here. They showed improvement in several respects, the most noticeable being that the farmers are raising a higher class of products than formerly. A cammon sight was to see giant stalks of cotton setting about in the different booths, some of them containing as many as 125 and 150 bolls. Immense stalks of corn, with eight and ten fully matured ears, were also common. In every instance the producers said that the improved variety is much easier and cheaper to raise than the inferior or common kind. All the way through the exhibits were excellent and were even better than were expected.

Fine Stock Raised.

"In the past few years the farmers of Macon county have directed much of their time towards the raising of fine cattle, horses and hogs. In this department were exhibited some of the most beautiful specimens to be found anywhere, all of them being Alabama bred and raised in this county. Among the most noted exhibits was that of Mr. W. A. Reynolds, of Warrior Stand, in the lawer portion of this county. He had at the fair several colts, mares and many fine chickens, many of them having taken first prize at other fairs in the State this season. All the offerings showed that the farmers are waking up to the fact that this is not only a great farming country, but one of the greatest stock-raising sections of the South.

"The exhibit of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute attracted considerable attention. For several days the boys and girls of the school were hard at work arranging the several exhibits and they presented a most pleasing appearance. That which attracted the most attention was the corn exhibit. The manner in which the corn for this purpose was gathered was unique. Every Negro farmer in the county contributed ten ears each and with this and immense pyramid had been formed in the immediate front part of the administration building. All columns surrounding the pyramid had been covered with ears split in half and nailed on, presenting a pleasing and original design. The public schools of Tuskegee were also represented at the fair with different exhibits from the kindergarten up to the higher grades.

One-Armed Negro Had Exhibit.

"A booth that attracted more than ordinary interest was that of a one-armed Negro, Jim Mahone. In his exhibit he had practically everything that could possibly be raised in this climate at this season of the year. Watermelons, cucumbers, peppers, pumpkins, sweet corn, tomatoes and other garden products that up until a few years ago were attempted to be raised only in the spring. He is a very thrifty Negro and is admired by many white friends here for his strict honesty and perseverance in making his own living and staying out of debt."

URGES FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN WHITE AND BLACK

Judge W. R. Hammond Delivers a Strong Address to Negroes at Atlanta, Ga.

Pleading for friendly relations between the races, Judge W. A. Hammond delivered a strong and interesting address at the educational mass-meeting held at the Central Avenue Theater in the interest of Negro education in the South.

His speech in full follows:

"To any thoughtful mind it goes without saying, and is evident without argument or insistence, that the welfare of both races in this country, and especially in the South, is absolutely dependent upon the friendliness and cordiality existing between them. The growth and development of the organism which we call human society develops and expends a certain amount of force; and whether the best results are obtained depends on whether this force is all utilized for constructive purposes, or whether a part of it, or all of it, for that matter, is destructive in its operation. If a part of it only is constructive and another part tends in the direction of disintegration and anarchy, then the resultant effect may be upward or downward, forward or backward, according to the predominance of the constructive or destructive elements. If there are warring elements, energy is absorbed in the conduct of the warfare, and the organic body of society suffers because of the lack of the harmonious co-operation that is necessary to its growth and development.

"It follows, then, that the true philanthropist must seek to reconcile warring and discordant elements, and bring all into harmonious co-operation for the general good. Labor must cease to war against capital, and capital must learn to have due regard for the rights of the laboring man. Every class and element must learn to respect every other, and all must obey the golden rule. In this way can civilization accomplish its best and most substantial advance, and in no other way is such an advance possible of attainment.

"The Negro is a part of the South's civilization. His organic life is bound up with that of the white man in ties that are indissoluble. Fanatical utterances to the contrary notwithstanding, his elimination from the social organism of the South is not possible. All wise men will dismiss the thought and seek some other solution of the race problem. The white man cannot kill him because he will not submit quietly to the operation. Neither can he transport him because it is too expensive. And these are the only two ways by which he can be eliminated. So it is perfectly evident to any sane mind that he must stay here and continue for all time to be a vital part of our civilization.

"The question of how he came here is not at all important; but the question of what to do with him, seeing that he is here, is vital. But it may not be amiss to say that we recognize the hand of an overruling Providence in the great fact of his presence in the midst of the white man's civilization. An overruling Providence is one which overrules the evil designs of evil men and turns them to good account. Who can name a great battle in the world's history that hasn't been overruled and turned to good account? And yet these battles were the direct outcome of the evil and malignant passions of men. So the evil passions and sordid cupidity of the slave dealers, who captured these black men and brought them to our shores and sold them to our ancestors, have been overruled by a higher power, and the great-great-grandchildren of these innocent people have become the wards of the American nation, and we are responsible to them for the faithful and conscientious execution of this high and important trust. Blatant demagogy may seek to obscure this truth, and try to make the people of the South to feel that they are under no obligation to the Negro; but true men will recognize it, and will not refuse to set themselves steadily and efficiently to the task of helping him to work out his salvation and elevate himself to a higher plane of civilization.

"The inherent forces in the bosom of the white race, which are capable of being utilized for the advance of civilization will be perceptibly diverted and diminished if the white man harbors a feeling of antipathy toward the Negro, and indulges in acrimonious controversy with him. What he ought to do is to indulge himself in the good feeling that he must look for good in the countenance of his black brother. If he looks for it he will find it, for it is there. A kindly glance will reveal it, when a contemptuous attitude or a haughty indifference will effectually obscure it. Let the white men seek, by a recognition of the many good qualities and characteristics of the Negro, to encourage him to develop those qualities and characteristics. Nothing develops character more effectually than a recognition and appreciation of the good that is in the other man; while a constant, cynical search for the bad and an utter refusal to see the good not only hides the good from our vision, but has a blighting effect upon the man who carries within his own breast the consciousness that he has not been appreciated. We do a great wrong to the man whose good and true qualities we contemptuously or indifferently refuse to recognize. 'No man liveth to himself.'

"There are many white friends of the Negro who have a sincere desire and purpose to do him full justice, and who make an honest effort in that direction, but who seem to be unable to accomplish much, or to meet with gratifying results in their efforts. They are easily discouraged and turned aside from their purpose, and are too ready to throw up their hands and say: What is the use? They are prone to lose faith in the Negro and say: 'Ephraim is joined to his idols; let him alone.' They feel a strong sense of duty ,ubt they have no inspiration of hope. Their efforts are consequently mechanical and listless and lack the enthusiasm that is essential to success. The trouble with these friends of the Negro is that they have failed to attain to a recognition of the best qualities of the Negro character. They do not rightly apprehend and appreciate him. They look for certain qualities which they say he ought to possess, and not finding them, they overlook others which he does possess. They form their estimate of him by looking at him in bulk, whereas, in order to get a correct estimate of him, they ought to look at the individual members of the race who have made the greatest advarce and accomplished the best results. There are Negroes, and plenty of them, who are honorable and reliable in a high degree. Let him contemplate these, and not look altogether upon the shiftless element and the criminal classes. There are plenty of Negroes who are industrious and frugal in their habits. Let our white friend think about these, make their acquaintance and look into their honest faces, and not confine his observation and attention to the idle, vagrant, worthless classes.

"The way to judge humanity is by its best specimens, and not by its worst. We see in the best the capabilities of the worst under proper training and environment and the optimistic spirit, which is our most becoming attitude. should prompt us to bring into play our highest moral and intellectual faculties in order that we may be able to discern the good with a clear and strong vision, and thus get a broad and correct estimate, and not a narrow and perverted one, of our brother in black.

"There are others among the white people who are indifferent to all questions which relate to the problem caused by the presence of the colored people in our midst, and still others who are actively opposed to them, and who never lose an opportunity to strike them with a mailed hand. They can see no good in them, and taunt those who do with the opprobrious epithet of negrophile.

"Nothing in the way of helpfulness is to be expected of these except to open their eyes and decrease their numbers. They are a menace to the best civilization of the times in which we live, and if left to themselves would soon bring about a state of warfare between the blacks and whites. Their number has been on the increase since the breaking of the old relations of master and servant between the white man and the Negro, and there are entirely too many of them today; but there are many of us who believe that a broader and more appreciative sentiment is gradually gaining ground among the white people of the South. There are many, very many, who do not join in that sentiment of indifference and hostility, and who are ever ready to insist on justice and fair play toward the Negro, and to lend him a helping hand; and there are strong and reasonable grounds for the hope that their number will increase.

"This is not the time and place to discuss and elaborate in extenso the question of the relations between the two races, and, perhaps, the less said about that the better. But there can be no harm in saying and insisting that these relations should be cordial and friendly. The colored man is 'our brother in black,' and belongs to the great brotherhood of the races that inhabit the earth. He is a part of our common humanity, and is entitled to his place in the world, and in the civilization of this American country. Whether he will maintain that place depends absolutely upon him. If he proves himself worthy, he will stand. If he fails, he must go down. Let all good men help him, and see that he has a fair chance."

RACE GLEANINGS.

Dr. Booker T. Washington has been made one of the executors of the estate of the late Emmett Densmore, in Brooklyn, N. Y. This involves his also being one of the directors of the Garfield Tea Company, located in Brooklyn.

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The Negro as a whole was loyal to the nomination of George W. Whitley on the Socialist ticket. Race pride is not dead in Los Angeles, by a jugful, and this was evidenced on election day. Mr. Whitley ran 6,000 votes behind the lowest councilmanic candidate of his ticket, but when you consider he received over 41,000 votes, you are bound to give him credit for having received the largest vote ever given a colored man on the coast.—Exchange.

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Dr. W. A. Burney, formerly of New Albany, Ind., where he had an extensive practice, died recently in Santiago, Cal. He moved to California more than ten years ago seeking health. Dr. Burney was one of the founders of the Louisville National Medical College and was holding the chair of dean at the time he moved to California.

SOMETHING A SENATOR NEVER DOES.

Mr. Heyburn, of Idaho, sometimes has trouble in getting a large audience of his fellows when he speaks on the floor of the Senate. One day last July he rose to make a speech and, seeing that there were only three men besides himself in their places, he moved to adjourn. This was prevented by the assembling of a quorum of Senators who had been sitting in the cloakrooms.

In beginning his delayed speech he said:

"I do not understand the conduct of Senators. I have seen them under all phases. I have seen a Senator leave this chamber when he should stay here to receive good advice. I have seen him leave this chamber when, by remaining, he could have given good advice. The only thing I never saw a Senator do was to back out of the door in the middle of his own speech."—popular Magazine.

MOBILE DOTS.

Dr. J. H. Manley, of Centralia, Ill., preached at the State Street A. M. E. ion Church last Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, to a large congregation, and the pastor, Dr. J. W. Woods, preached at 7:30 p. m., his subject being "Gospel Twilight." Both of these divines gave to their hearers two splendid sermons, and the choir deserves much credit for the excellent music rendered at each service. ....Madam Egbert, the great prima donna, drew a large crowd to the Lily Baptist Church last Monday night to the musical recital given under direction of the W. H. F. Missionary Society. Mrs. Srtangham was in the city and gave a talk along missions. She is a representative of the Foreign Mission Board.... Rev. Joseph C. Reid, of Ottuma, Iowa, will spend the remainder of the winter in this city. He is domiciled at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Parker, 702 Davis avenue....Dr. A. C. Nicholson and Miss Mattie Singleton were married on the evening of December 14....The Freeman local agent extends to the many supporters a merry Christmas and best wishes for a happy New Year....The Freeman can be found at the same old reliable Gulf City drug store, 512 Congress street and Davis avenue. For sale by C. M. Wilkerson.

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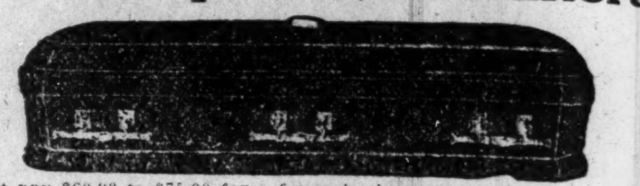

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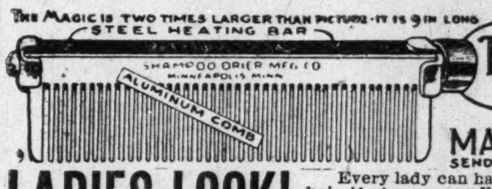

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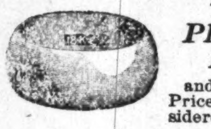

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Address of Dr. E. G. Hirsch to the Faculty and Students of Tuskegee Institute.

Tuskegee, Ala.—Dr. Hirsch was born in Luxembourg, and was educated in Germany and in this country. He holds honorary degrees from several colleges, and has been a rabbi at the head of Jewish congregations in Baltimore and Louisville. He is at present of the Sinai congregation, Chicago. He has been professor of rabbanical literature and philosophy at theU niversity of Chicago since 1892, and is an editor an dthe author of several books and monographs on biblical and religious subjects.

Dr. Hirsch's address follows:

"Doctor Washington, Ladies and Gentlemen:

"Like Mr. Rosenwald, I am under obligations to you. Our visit here has been a veritable inspiration. The great German poet, Goethe, remarked somewhere that what you desire in your younger days, you generally attain only when old age is upon you. I have desired to see your institution from the very day I heard of its existence. In the meantime I have grown old and what I desired in the younger days has come to me in its rich fulness here when I am standing at the threhold of my life's evening tide. Therefore, I am personally under more obligations to you. You are solving a problem. you are solving a problem, that of Most of those in your race believe that your race alone and for your race alone. A narrow view of this to take.. You are solving a problem of American life for all of us, and who knows but that you are solving it for the world at the same time?

"We have often in our churches read the opening chapter of Genesis, and I dare say, if I may judge by the general attitude mentally and morally of the world, we have failed to understand its essential message. That opening chapter tells us that God made man in his image and we have not understood what that old Hebrew story may have intended when it placed upon men the crown of likeness with the great creator of the world. The Greeks had stories about the gods but none of the Greek gods were ever pictured as working. They drank ambrosia, quaffed nectar; engaged in all sorts of intrigues and committed acts that the better civilization of later years refuses to mention in a society like this. That was the occupation of the Greek gods and many of our Americans today are much like the Greeks. Their ideal of life is to drink and not always ambrosia at that, to quaff, not always nectar, to engage ni all sorts of intrigues, and because they cannot carry on that life without having money, they have ceased to be monotheists, believers in one God, and have become moneytheists. That is, they deify money and they do not know what the use of money is; once in a while, however, a man arises who is able to teach the world what you can do with money; that it is not given to men for the purpose of drinking nectar and quaffing ambrosia, but that it is given as a trust to an individual that through it he might bring hope and light to his fellow men groping upward and onward along the path of life.

"The Hebrew civilization begins with the story of God as a worker. He creates a conception that no other civilization ever advanced. God worked, and when he created man in his image he meant that man should work as God has worked. The Bible's proclamation is the sanctity of human labor, and it is not true that the human labor is a curse. It is the expression of a man's likeness to God. God worked and he placed man on earth to work as God had worked before him, and the sanctity of work is the gift, the sacred benediction with which this noble institution anoints your head. You came here to be consecrated priests in the temple of work and go out from here into the world as messengers of this the gospel of all religion; the gospel that flamed forth from Sinai and found sweeter and newer consecration on the lips of another son of Palestine, the gospel of labor. Have you ever thought of it—that great Son of Palestine was a carpenter's son. He did not have a classical education, but he learned the lesson of life in his father's carpenter shop; he did not go to academies, but he heard his divine father's call. Whatever message he had he clothed it in the phraseology, not of the counting-room, and not of the drawing-room, but into the impressive vocabulary of the farmer and the artisan. In practicing and learning to practice the religion of labor you become Christianized, in the spirit of the Great Teacher, and Judaized, in the spirit of the great Jewish prophets. As perhaps no other group of young women and young men in this our country, you have the opportunity to become consecrated, to be uplifted and to be empowered.

"Culture, yes, culture, can come from the anvil and the hoe, from the shoemaker's bench, more potently than it ever came from the twaddle of Cicero and the singing even of the blind bard of Greece. To despise the practical things is to despise God's work. God made the world so. We have to work in the world, and to call that which is related to work beneath the notice or unwarthy of the sympathy of cultured men and women is to utter blasphemy.

"Culture, yes, what does culture mean? First, it means the larger vision, and can you not have that larger vision when you create something? Every working man and working woman creates. Culture means joy in life. What greater joy can there be than the joy of creating? The world has lost that joy. The slavery of the factory, the din and tumult and strife of the city have crushed out all true joy in this, our age.

"A French writer recently said that the only one who was still true to the great mission and who understood the great variety of the gospel of joy in life was the artist. He created and found joy in his creation. This French writer should have said the artisan. The man who creates has knowledge, deep knowledge of God's joy in life.

"The third element of culture is worthiness. He who creates something that is worth while gains culture. Every stroke of the hammer intended to bring forth something new is a declaration of man's worthiness. He who is conscious of creation can never become an unworthy, an immoral or degraded being on earth.

"Men have tried in recent years to install the moral spirit in the public schools. They are even now debating and puzzling how they can teach the children the laws of righteousness. Take them into the workshop; there they will learn them. Unless you are true to your work, your work rises to curse you, for the anvil's song is a song of righteousness and the sigh of the saw as it goes through the wood is a protest against man's untruthfulness.

"The final element of culture is sympathy. That ancient Greek culture which they made so much of in the old-fashioned colleges did not lead men to sympathize with one another, and from the Greeks we learn this awful conceit, that one or the other is better than his brother or sister on account of some accident in his personal appearance. The old culture did not unite but divided humanity. The new culture of the workshop has in it the magic to bring men together. In the consecration of common work you are learning that you help yourselves by helping others. Every article produced by you is not merely of usefulness to you, but is of usefulness to me.

"You are being led here into the sanctuary of this new religion of work. This new religion of consecrated, creative work ought to fill your hearts with thankfulness. I congratulate you on the opportunities that are yours. Your opportunities are larger than those that have come to the white children of many of the northern cities and to the black children of many a northern university town. Cease, then, complaining. You have nothing to complain of. Go your way proudly in the consciousness of your worth. Strive for worthiness and let those who will, out of the emptyness of their conceit, believe that they stand higher than you; learn from your life how poor is their judgment, how foolish their prejudice.

"I thank you for what you have taught me, for what we have learned from that one man who in these days of short-sightedness has had the vision. Without vision the people perish. Be glad that he came among you, this great man of vision—your Moses indeed, with this difference, that while the old Moses died in the wilderness, he goes with you across the Jordan to the promised land."

COLORED GREATEST WORKERS.

Have Larger Percentage of Workers Than White Americans.

BOSTON, Mass.—At the final section meeting of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections "The Negro in Industry" was the topic discussed at the Standards of Living and Labor section in Kingsley Hall. The speakers were Prof. Kelly Miller, of Howard University, Washington, and R. R. Wright, of Philadelphia, Pa.

Professor Wright said in part:

"The Negroes have been workers in the North ever since the days of the first colonies, and though they never have been a great factor, except in the large cities, where 75 per cent. of the northern Negroes now live, they form a great mass of domestic and personal workers. In Pennsylvania, for instance, where the greatest number of northern Negroes live, 59.2 per cent. of the males and 92.7 per cent. of the females were in domestic and personal service in 1900. It is sometimes said that Negroes do not work, but statistics show them to comprise a much larger percentage of workers than their percentage of population would warrant. Negroes were, for example, only 2.5 per cent. of the population of Pennsylvania, but were 3.3 per cent. of the workers.

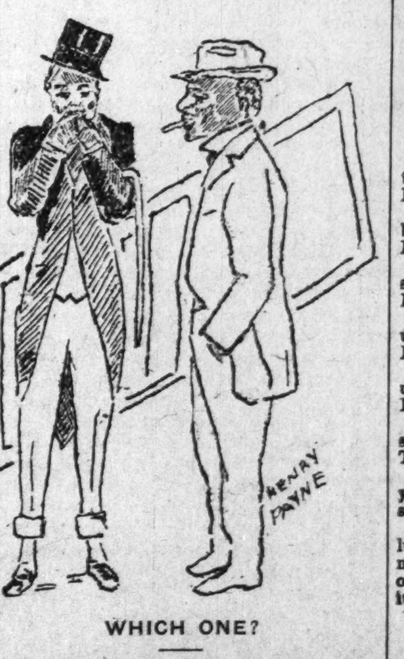
"Negroes have made slow progress in the North, but this is due to two reasons—the low standard of efficiency among Southern Negroes, who have immigrated North and the attitude of organized labor.

"Low efficiency might be overcome more quickly if the unions were more friendly. The result is, if the efficient Negro would go up it must be in opposition to the labor union. This, of course, tends to make the Negro a strike-breaker, but I am sure an unwilling strike-breaker. Outside of the Miners' Union and those of hod-carriers, the Negro has but little chance. In Chicago, for example, the Negroes in the building trades have made their way in spite of the unions. The same is true of the stock yards, where practically all the Negro has gotten has been in opposition to the union. In Pittsburgh each step that the Negro has made upward in the steel works has been done as a strike-breaker. This is unfortunate. But to be fair, the trouble is not in unionism per se, but in the growing race prejudice which tends to make a farce of American democracy. Only unionism organizes its men and therefore their race prejudice has the force which organization always gives. But white non-union workmen strive as vigorously as union men to shut the Negro out. The result of this that, to get a foothold, the Negro must work for a lower wage. This lowers the standard of living and tends to drag that of the white workman down.

"Still, under the conditions, the Negro worker is gralually growing in importance in the North, especially as waiter, porter, domestic, worker on the streets, in municipal construction work, and in the large industries needing a large unskilled force. In the steel works they are a distinct force, also in the mines. In skilled mechanical pursuits the number is growing gradually, each census showing an increase in northern cities.

"The immigration of large numbers of Negroes to the North and their segregation in large groups in certain sections of our cities has given rise to Negro business men and professional men. So that today many of the largest churches, hospitals and stores are in the North, and a much larger percentage of Negro business men and professional men are in the North than in the South, in spite of the difficulty the Negro faces in the North of a higher standard of efficiency to reach than he has in the South.

"While the industrial progress of the race has been great during the past 40 years—great enough to command the praise of the severest critic—yet the handicap of race prejudice cannot be overestimated. It is the greatest drawback of the Negro, for it put before him a double standard—not merely efficiency, which he cannot reach—but also a standard of race which it is impossible for him to reach, and which must discourage and demoralize him."



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If Taft is nominated, it may be that Chairman Lee's sayings will be verified.

It now seems that Chairman Lee is at the bat. He is making considerable trouble in the political field.

The Maine has been exhumed from its watery grave. The question is still, who gave the battleship its death wound?

Bishop Walters seems to yet be consistent in his views. He is standing up for the independence of the race in politics.

Mr. Earle Walker, manager of the New Walker Theater, says that everything is all right for opening night, January 1, 1912.

The primary is rather a measley affair at the very best. If it is injected into national politics, the result will be very kaleidoscopic indeed.

If the Republican party had stood upon its platforms, the Negro voter would not be disfranchised in the South to-day, but would now have his political rights.

Senator Clapp says that the public is losing faith in Republican platforms. That is true. It seems that the Republican party has been using "platforms" to get in on, and after it gets in it is afraid to stand on them.

The political pot is boiling in a big way in Indiana. Both Republicans and Democrats seem to be at cross purposes. Roosevelt looms up on the Republican horizon, and Senator Kern is the bugaboo to Governor Marshall's presidential prospects.

They evidently don't care very much about our governmental methods in the old world. Roosevelt put the Egyptians on their heads when he told them how to do it. Now Shuster is personna non grata to Russia et al. because of his American financiering in Persia.

Sam McVey put it over Sam Langford at Sydney, Australia, December 26. The victory of McVey makes him Jack Johnson's strongest rival. In fact, McVey is already claiming the world's championship, owing to the default of Johnson, who failed to meet him at Sydney. What will Johnson do about it?

Edwin M. Lee, chairman of the State Republican Committee, would make a good witness. He sticks to his assertion, first, last and all the time, that Taft cannot carry the State of Indiana in 1912. He goes it one better by saying that his name will not be presented to the convention. Why, Mr. Lee!

New Year's resolution, with many, are as ropes of sand. With many more they are of good, even if they continue in force but for a little while. A good example for a little while may mean an influence in the right place and at the right time which may pass on until the very end of man. So resolve a little; it may be of very much good.

Having some big dinners at Washington, D. C., that cause some sitting up and taking notice. A few days ago Dr. Booker T. Washington was the object of considerable attention at a dinner pulled off in his honor at the Arlington Hotel. Hon. William H. Lewis was chairman of the committee that had the affair in hand. Night was fairly turned into day. Those present were of the choicest spirits of the Negro nation. It was a fine testimonial to the distinguished educator.

The Bee, of Washington, D. C., has decided to allow space in its columns for the expressions of Negro Democrats. To use its own language:

"The Bee has decided to allow space to the colored Democrats, independents or what nots, to express themselves on any matter that they believe to be to the interest of the colored American. No man, party or creed will be permitted to control the editorial columns, but everybody will be fairly treated."

Growing eminently fair after the years. Our race will not be helped much farther by the one-party route. The blindest are getting their eyes open.

It is customary for business concerns to take inventory of their stock once, or even more times, a year, in order to ascertain the standing of the house. The general nation, the government at Washington, does the same thing, that the citizens may know how the government stands. The individuals, many of them, once a year, or more times than once a year, turn the searchlight on themselves, for the same reason that the President addresses Congress and the business man takes stock—to see where they are at. The first day of January is the best day of the year for turning on the searchlight, weighing one's self in the balances, and so forth. Decay and death are suggested by the passing of time. The thought comes home to all at the end of the year, thus making the first day of the new year a spiritual altar for swearing out the old and bad, for swearing in the new and good.

Reyes, the Mexican revolutionist, is proving the hero of the Western continent. Failing in his attempt to bring about a revolution, he asks that he alone pay the penalty. The government of Mexico may see something extraordinary in such a character and may choose to spare his life. Really it may mean wisdom to do so, for, helpless as he is, he is not without troops of friends, who doubtless wish him the best, regardless of what is held to be an unpardonable sin. He that gives up his life will save his life, is not always literally true, but we hope that in this instance it is true. The old man has suffered sufficiently, one will think, through gross misrepresentation and otherwise. Six hundred men were to meet him at a certain point; only one showed up. Such disappointments are as salutary as death warrants for the peace of the republic.

January 1, 1911, finds the race making satisfactory progress in a material way. Many are saving money and purchasing homes. Many more could do so if they would, although their wages are not the same as received by the white people. That is to say, the Negroes are not similarly employed. The opportunity to similarly employ themselves is not wanting, however, since there is nothing in the laws against Negroes capitalizing concerns and doing business; nor is sentiment against it. Take it all in all, there is much to be thankful for owing to the present-day conditions, in spite of some little civil and social meannesses. The great bulk of the race is learning to work around these, and, through it, learning race appreciation. It has not always been so. We should not forget the good, even while deploring the bad that confronts us.

ENTERTAINS COLORED CHILDREN.

Mrs. W. H. Coleman, of this city, a well-to-do white woman, revived a custom of her native State, Kentucky, last Monday, when she gave a Christmas party for about thirty colored children in her ball room. There was a large Christmas tree, with gifts, in one end of the room, and on the platform at the other end there was an entertainment, in which the children volunteered to participate, and they made a program of songs and recitations. The children marched in fancy figures and played games.

A grab bag was a feature of the party, and there was a long table spread in an adjoining room, where ice cream, cake and candy were served. Miss Eleanor Kirby interested the children with stories and Miss Gertrude Hinson led them in a number of kindergarten games and songs. A few friends and relatives of the hostess were present, and Mrs. Clara Downing, sister-in-law of Mrs. Coleman, played marches and songs. "America" was sung by the children.

The incident is touching, and also pleasing to know about. Christmas has become to stand for so much that there follows great disappointment for those who fail in sharing in the joys the season suggests. The colored parents make a brave effort to bring about Christmas cheer that compares in some way with the season's reputation. They, however, are limited in means and ways, and consequently very often fall short of the child's expectation, who has been brought up in common with other children, the best cared-for children, and who refuse to see things much differently.

This good white woman, and many more yet whose names are known, are doing much more than they think in bringing up the delinquency of the parents.

Only those that have been "little poor colored children" will understand what the Christmas touch means. It is as the touch of Midas—things turn to gold. The slightest nod by these angelic women is remembered, not to speak of the actual gifts. There are also poor, starved souls waiting the look of sympathy. This counts greatly. To these tender sentiments are added beautiful, comfortable things that have been seen in the store rooms from time to time, becoming one's own. Oh, the exquisite feeling, and which becomes incorporated into the individual being as a sort of touchstone for joy. Like kind words which never die, but more; for here are the real evidences of love and regard.

Mrs. Coleman's party will be remembered by those colored children when they have forgotten about all other parties. At least it will be the dominant social event in their lives. It was after the manner of the love of Christ for the world. He went to such expense to prove it. It is true in this case. Only poor little colored children can wonder properly about "why this was done for me."

We need much of the spirit in the world shown little colored children, and as was shown little unfortunate white children in this city on Christmas day. It means love and obligation, paying tribute voluntarily to the forces that be, thus making for a better social organization, and, of course, in the end, making for a better and happier country.

THE NEW WALKER THEATRE.

The New Walker Theatre, of this city, is a theatrical enterprise for colored people. The patronage will not be restricted to colored people, but they will have every privilege. This is not true in most of the other theatres of the city. The management of these theatres has seen fit to discriminate in favor of white patrons.

The inclination here is not to quarrel with these managements. They are influenced by the patrons. The situation is simply one of the many growing out of the race question, and which finds its way into almost everything of general civil or social nature. Under the circumstances the new venture is to be commended in that it seeks, as far as we can learn, to supply in a way what is lost to the race through discrimination.

The new venture will not be expected to bring the greater attractions, such as go to high-priced theatres generally, and because the house is not prepared for them, nor could the prospective patrons pay for them. The new house will see that colored people are comfortably situated; that they sit any place they choose, provided they pay the price.

For some time the theatre will be on trial as it concerns the support. However, if it proves as it is advertised, the theatre-going and amusement-loving people should make it a point to sustain it. More is meant than mere amusement. There is an industrial side. The performers are to be paid; it means much to them. And then there is a list of helpers who will draw good salaries, thus making the venture worthy of support. In short, it will prove a great help to the race, and in the right direction.

Perhaps we need not say anything about the conduct of the patrons. The colored people in the most part are well behaved in public places. The most part, however, is not the whole part. And sometimes the very many are judged by the few who will not be bound by rules of polite society. If the new house comes up to expectations in all ways, the patronage should be in accord as to conduct, and thus prove that the reputed riotous conduct is a libel on the race.

From this distance everything looks favorable to the management and patrons. It will be an auspicious event of the new year, and should mean an advance from which there will be no retreating. The new theatre is fairly a necessity, owing to conditions mentioned.

REFUSE TO BE HUMILIATED.

Such an occurrence as is reported in dispatches from Georgia should not pass without notice. In a town whose name we are glad to forget, the public execution of a Negro for inciting to riot was carried out in the opera house in order that the crowd might be protected from the rain, a private box being reserved for the relatives of the victim of the riot. Besides brutalizing those who take part, such action produces a very different effect than that intended. It does not overawe the masses, but renders them indifferent, as long experience proves. On the world at large it produces the effect not of solemn justice done, no matter what the world may think, as perhaps those who were present imagine, but rather the impression of hysteria and terror. It is only in times of panic that such symptoms of barbarism show forth in an otherwise civilized people. It is also worth while to remark that the enforcement of this law with colors reversed—e. g., the execution of a white man for starting a lynching—is unimaginable. So long as this is so, the country as a whole must bear the humiliation of it.—The Christian Register.

"The country as a whole must bear the humiliation of it." Humiliation—that's the thing. But who's humiliated? Negro journals, and some of those run by white men, have long since tried to shame the mob; they have tried to shame the country into an anti-mob sentiment so strong that lawlessness would speed away as autumn leaves before an approaching storm, but all to no purpose. There are many excellent people who have nothing to do with the ugly happenings; they are humiliated, but apparently they are the very few as compared with the indifferent millions. Most of these millions would not think of becoming party to any of the ugly happenings; but they are not disturbed by them. Consequently we have nearly a reign of anarchy on the one condition. In other words, the country is sane enough on other questions, differing more or less as to the best methods for bringing about the best conditions. But on the Negro lynching business the country is an unconscious, also a conscious, violator of the spirit in which the laws are conceived, and also the letter.

Humiliation seems out of the question. Gloating over deeds is the tendency—how we did it—as Senator Tillman put it, as though there were glory in doing it. And not until there is the other tendency—humiliation—is there much hope for better conditions.

The Negroes may take consolation of the thought that where there's a will there's a way. What it may be is obscured for the present. But there is a balm for every pain. There is a cure for every ill. It does not mean the Negroes have no duties to perform. The patient has duties as well as the physician.

LOUISE ALSTON BURLEIGH AT HAMPTON INSTITUTE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

HAMPTON INSTITUTE, Va., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Louise Alston Burleigh, of New York City, wife of the well-known baritone soloist and composer, recited a number of her own dialect poems on Monday evening in Cleveland Chapel hall, and a large audience gave frequent evidences that her artistic delineation of Negro folk-lore and tender reflection of the lowly were heartily appreciated.

Like Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Mrs. Burleigh has taken the everday life of the Negro and given it a poetic expression which appeals to both white and colored people. She has added dignity to the common things of life and has won the respect of all classes of her own people thereby.

Some of the titles of her poems are as follows: "Sandy Andy Lindy Mo," "Lemme Love Yo'," "Way Down on the Chesapeake," "Perplexed," "Watermelon Time," "Pussonality," "Poppin' de Question," "Possum Pie," "Maria Brown," "A Study in Colors," "Dinah, Oh My Dinah," "Back Home" and others of equal merit.

The Hampton Quartet, which has just returned from a western campaign in behalf of Hampton Institute, interspersed the recital with plantation melodies. Mrs. Burleigh expresses herself as "de-lighted with Hampton and her hospitable people."

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Major R. R. Moton, commandant of cadets, is at home again from Washington, D. C., where he attended the annual meeting of the Jeanes und Board, of which he is secretary. While at the Capitol he was a guest at the banquet given in honor of Dr. Booker T. Washington and at another in honor of Bishop Alexander Walters. He visited the Armstrong Manual Training school, presided over by Dr. W. Bruce Evans, whose house guest he was.

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Miss Elnora B. Lee, the daughter of Mr. W. H. Lee, 1518 West Gray street, and a teacher at the Bardstown public school, will pass through the city en route to Paris, Ky., to the State Teachers' Association.

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Mr. Joe Wakefield, of this city, spent a day in Lawrenceburg, Ky., on business.

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Mrs. Sadie Harvey Davis, of Murry, Ky., arrived home to be the hostess of her parents. Mrs. Davis is the daughter of Mr. B. Harvey and the wife of Prof. Z. L. Davis.

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Miss Sarah Green has been confined to her bedroom for several days with a sprained foot, but is improving very fast.

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Mr. E. D. Washington is very ill in Lewis street.

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Mr. J. B. McCann entertained for lunch Misses Annie M. Batty, Verealletta Batty, Messrs. Fred Allen and Press Veaney.

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Rev. W. H. Polk, of the Lexington Conference, evangelist, of Jeffersonville, Ind., passed through the city, en route to Louisville, Ky.

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Rev. William Bush, of Chaplin, Ky., passed through the city, en route to Richmond, Ky.

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Mr. George Coxe and Miss Cornell Moore spent a pleasant afternoon at Spring Station, the guest of their friends.

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While in the city during your Christmas holiday, don't for get to stop by the Frankfort pressing shop and get a copy of The Freeman, on Washington street, between Clay's barber shop and Brooks & Norman's grocery.

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Mr. Robert Spencer, of Indianapolis, shipping clerk of the Remington Typewriter Company, will be the guest of Miss Katherine Gains during the Christmas holidays, and many of Miss Gains' friends are preparing to give Mr. Spencer many grand receptions.

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Miss Sarah Hall, a highly respected young lady of the Capital Social Club of young misses, was asked to take the leading role in a play, "Tobasco Land," but declined on account of her school work. Miss Hall is a young lady that always has that expression on her face giving a desire to happiness.

Mr. Alcorn is improving after a hard spell of sickness.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ezekiel Dow, a prominent young couple of Anchorage, Ky., have just completed their new home and will open their first New Year's dinner with a reunion of the family. Mrs. Harriett Brown, of Louisville, and Sister Jennie, of Chicago, and brother at Frankfort will be present to enjoy the function. A merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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Miss Julia Spencer, one of the popular young society ladies of the city, was chosen as a teacher in the school of which she was a graduate. Miss Spencer has specialized in the Chicago University and is a graduate of the Clinton street High School, in this city. The society of which Miss Spencer is a member does not make her great, but she makes it great by setting such high places in life for other girls, by having such a pure character. She should be a great inspiration to other girls.

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The Pythian Juniors will give a grand military ball at the Odd Fellows' Hall, December 28. This is expected to be the grandest ball that was ever given in this city. The following companies will be present: Richmond Company No. 1, champions of the United States; Industrial B. K., of Lexington, Ky.; the B. K. Bruce Company D, the Pride of Frankfort, No. 15, and the Cadets' Committee, W. F. Simpson, chairman; Captain Butcher, Cadets Heine Russell, Robert Clark, W. K. Bush.

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Mr. William Hawkins, a successful business man, started in business as a merchant tailor in the Odd Fellows' building; with the energy and tact to succeed, he then bought a place of his own in less than one year. We must all have some misfortune. Just as Mr. Hawkins' business was flourishing, by accident his establishment caught fire and he had a loss of $15,000, but in spite of all that, he has not given up the fight to succeed. He is now managing the tailoring work at the Frankfort Hotel, and will spend his Christmas around the 400 block in Henderson, Ky., South Green street, and with Mr. Hawkins present there will certainly be a "boost for Henderson."

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Daniel F. Carter, 4657 Armour avenue, formerly of Indianapolis, an ex-railroad man, late of the Chicago Northwestern Railway Company, has the honor of being chief mixologist at the Bachelor's Club, 4704 State street. I guess Rattlefoot will come across with a year's subscription after he finds out old Fifty is on his old home paper. Nearly all of the Eastern railway men know Dannie.

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NEWS AND NOTES FROM GEORGETOWN, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN:

Rev. T. L. Ballou, pastor of the First Baptist church, has returned from Owensboro, Ky., where he has been holding a revival, which was quite a success. He reports fifty conversions....The Georgetown Stock Company has opened a first-class grocery, with Prof. Wm. Dudley, president, and Messrs. Wm. Bentley and John Miller as managers....Miss Lillian Fuller spent Sunday in Midway, Ky.... Prof. Ed. Davis was in Danville, last week ....The "measuring party" given by the Boston school, at the residence of the principal, Mrs. L. S. Jackson, on December 8th, was quite a success. A neat sum was realized, which will be paid to the County Board of Education on the amount pledged by the district for the new building....Grades Nos. 1 and 2, of the city school, with Misses Estella Williams and Jemmie Lewis, teachers, gave a box entertainment for the benefit of purchasing an adjoining lot for playgrounds. Prof. Ed. Davis, principal....Mrs. Kate Easton, of Chicago, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. M. F. Leland......Mrs. Lucy Alexander Falker, who has been making her home at Sackett Harbor, N. Y., has returned to Georgetown, her former home. She is spending the winter with her mother, Mrs. Hannah Alexander......Mrs. Lewis Williams, of Lexington, was in the city last week, visiting her mother and sisters, of Mulberry street......Mrs. Nellie Webster and daughter, Miss Alice Barbour, of Anderson, Ind., are visiting relatives and friends. They will leave in a few days for Florida....Miss Clay R. Webb, of Lexington, spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. E. Davis....Mr. Ennis B. Toals and Miss Georgia Grooms, of Parris, Ky., were the guests of Miss Sunnie Steele, Saturday....Little Miss Katie Mae Davis entertained her classmates at her birthday dinner Sunday....Mrs. Ella Johnson Coleman, of Parris, Ky., was in the city last week. She will leave Parris in a few days with her husband for Iowa, where they will make their future home.. ..Prof. A. B. Phillips, Christian Science doctor, is in the city and is doing a great work here.

NEGRO CHILDREN KILLED.

Oklahoma Men on Trial, Accused of Conspiring to Murder.

MUSKOGEE, Okla.—Court inquiry into the conspiracy that resulted in the death of two Negro children who owned oil lands valued at $250,000, went forward rapidly to-day. D. C. Allen, the Negro accused of having killed the children—Herbert and Castella Sell—pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to life imprisonment. F. L. Martin and John Coombs, the latter a wealthy oil operator, of Bartlesville, are accused of having had a part in the conspiracy against the children. Martin will be placed on trial Thursday, then Coombs will be arraigned. One white man has been convicted in the case. He is William Irwin. It was charged he promised the Negro, Allen, $2,000 to kill the Sell children. The conspiracy aimed at possession of the children's valuable oil lands.

MUNCIE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Mandy Jones left Muncie Sunday morning to spend Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Myrtie Frierson, at Wabash, Ind., and later in the week at Peru, Ind., where she will visit friends....Mrs. Parker will spend Christmas at her home in Indianapolis until after New Year....Mrs. Henrieta Bouyer, of Urbana, O., is in the city visiting relatives and friends.... Miss eMrchant is the guest of Miss Burden..Harry ..Burden, of Marion, Ind., was in the city visiting friends. ....The Eastern Star met Sunday, December 24, 1911, at the Calvery Baptist Church. Three sermons were preached by Rev. Mitchell, pastor....The Calvary Baptist Church will start their annual revival the first of the year. They expect to have a grand meeting. The Baptist Christian exercises were displayed with great ingenuity....Mr. Shermward, of New Castle, is visiting his people in Muncie....Messrs. Hushur and Macon Numan were in the city attending the dance....Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Cummings entertained at a family dinner Christmas day. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Burman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. June Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ray, May Ray, Lilia Burnam, Earl and Carl Burnam, Emory Ferguson and Walter Ellis....After several months absence Miss Ida Vena is back home in Whitely smiling and happy. ....Miss Lilia Burnam is confined to her home with a severe cold.

THEATERS OF CINCINNATI—THE PEKIN—THE GAITHER.

The Pekin opened up the Christmas week to standing room only. The house was beautifully decorated with green and holly, and the place was a pleasant sight. The manager had issued some useful present to each employe of the house as an appreciation of their excellent services during the past year, and the smiles from the several assistants, together with the decorations, made the old house look like new.

Miss Jamie Troy, of Springfield, O., made her initial appearance at the Pekin Theater as the regular vocalist. Miss Troy has a sweet voice and was given a rousing reception on the opening night

The Wireless Telephone Trio, Harper, Perkins and Stewart, returned after a few weeks absence, and screamed them as usual. This is one of the Pekin favorite turns, and the manager will hold them over several weeks.

The Gather Theater has undergone extensive preparations for the holidays. The manager has spared no pains in making this one of the prettiest little playhouses in the city. Four of the best picture-reels are used every day with one vaudeville act. Stovall and Stovall are a new team on the avenue and they gave general satisfaction. The male member of the team is a very funny comedian, while the lady gives a good account of herself. The bill is a good one. Manager Albert Smith has returned from his vacation to his old home town, Knoxville, Tenn., and he is handling large crowds nightly.

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

"My Friend From Dixie" this week at Columbia Theater, eNwark, N. J.

Harry Enaway, of the Toney Trio, died in Zanesville, O., December 15.

Demount & Tribble at the Howard Theater, Washington, D. C., this week.

The Dudleys are in Chicago, where they will remain for about three weeks.

Peter Kennedy is in Portland, Ore., playing the E. J. Fisher time. Doing fine.

The Denny Theater and Skating Rink at Oklahoma City, Okla., are having success.

Avery & Hart, colored comedians, at Colonial Theater, New York City, this week.

Cole & Johnson's Sambo Girls at the Howard Theater, Washington, D. C., week of December 25.

Bert Williams, in the Follies of 1911, at the Chestnut Street Opera House, Philadelpjhia, Pa., for two weeks.

The Smart Set Company with S. H. Dudley week of December 25, St. Louis, Mo.; week of December 31, Kansas City.

J. Rasamond Johnson, late of Cole & Johnson, opened Monday in a singing act at the Howard Theater, Washington D. C.

The Happy Four, Virginia Theater, Chicago, week of December 25th; New Walker Theater, Indianapolis, week of January 1.

T. D. Triplett, young cornetist, just closed a successful season with the Campbell Bros. Circus; now with Harrison Famous Minstrels.

The Miller Family, musical artists and singers, are very busy at Washington, D. C. They are introducing "Beautiful Doll" and other hits.

Bradford's Chicken Trust with High School Girls, Western Wheel Show Burlesque, at Buckingham Theater, Louisville Ky., week of December 25.

Upton Williams, acrobatic tumbler, closed with J. C. O'Brien's Georgia Minstrels at winter quarters at Houtson, Tex. He is visiting his home at Ennis, Tex.

The Green's Trio have just closed four successful weeks under the management of Wm. L. Moseley. Opened the new Green Theater in Wilmington Monday, the 18th.

The celebrated magician and ventriloquist, Leon, just closed at the Lyric Theater, Willmington, N. C., december 23. Left for Jacksonville, Fla., to spend the holidays with his people.

Smith the magician and sleight-of-hand performer, will open next season in New York City in a new novelty act. He is now at Atlantic City for the winter getting his new act in shape.

Billy E. Jones, versatile singer of popular melodies, is singing "My Hero" and "I Want a Girl" and "Fishing" with great success this week at the Lincoln Theater, Washington, D. C.

The Black Patti" Company this week, December 26, Houston, Tex.; December 27, Palestine; December 28, Long View; December 29, Marshall; December 30, Texarkana, Ark.; December 31, Shreveport.

The Pewee-Tolliver Co. worked around Chicago. Thursday, December 21 was up to Ft. Sheridian on an eight-act bill. 23-25 at the White House Theater. Will open the New Walker Theater at Indianapolis.

Nelson Parker, colored character Jew comedian, will open at the Lincoln Theater, Washington, D. C., in a new act called "A Peck of Trouble, but a Barrell of Fun," written expressly for him by Billy E. Jones.

Billy E. Jones, the well known vocalist of New York, since arriving at Washington, D. C., has made many friends. As he has indefinite engagements he will not be back in New York City for quite a while.

Daly's Theater, Baltimore, has one of the best bills of the season for Christmas week, headed by the Griffin Sisters, who are in the second week of their engagement. Seals & Fisher and Floyd & Floyd are also making good.

Prof. S. C. Elliott's Concert Band with the Andes Medicine Company, closed a very successful season at Union Springs, Ala., December 23, returning to Troy, Ala., to fill an engagement during the Xmas holidays. eBst wishes to friends in and out of the profession.

Miss Cora Goins, of Washington, D. C., who possesses a rich contralto voice of remarkable range and who was lately discovered by Billy E. ones, may form an act consisting of singing, talking and comedy. At any rate, Mr. Jones will take an interest in getting this talented singer before the public.

At the Dixie Theater, Charlotte, N. C., week of December 18, Blanche Russell, who takes three and four encores singing "Porto Rico Isle" and "O You Great Big Doll." Claver Smith is knocking them with her song "With the Blues." The team of Manigault & McGinty is going big; also Frank Duke.

The only and original Idaho Kid, after closing a three week's engagement at the Central Theater, Atlanta, Ga., opened a Christmas engagement at the New Lincoln Theater, Jacksonville, Fla., bringing the house down singing "Buckwheat Cakes" and by his eccentric dance and novelty.

Simms & Thompson, those western boys, opened at Auditorium in Philadelphia for two weeks December 18, and they broke several collars bowing at the matinee responding to encores—the hit of the bill. January 1, Howard Theater, Washington, D. C.; 8th, New York (Crescent); United time to follow.

Mrs. Kathryn Berry, of the well known vaudeville team of Huggins & Berry, was called home from New York to attend the bedside of her sick sister, Mrs. Ethel McGee, of Wilberforce, O., is filling her place with the company until she can return. They are said to be booked for a long season through New York, Maine and New Hampshire.

The following members of the Jolly John Larkins Company were pleasantly entertained by Mr. Forest Addison, director of the Paragon Social Club, 2131¼ Milour street, Houston, Tex.: Mr. Boots Alen, Chicago; Miss Carnie Richardson, New York; Jno. Lewis, New Orleans; W. Crawford, Chicago; Ben Hutchinson, Washington; Martha Nelson, New Orleans, and Arthur Simmons, New York.

CROWN GARDEN, INDIANAPOLIS.

The Crown Garden continues to draw big houses, notwithstanding the dullness of the times. On last Monday night, the management found it impossible to accommodate the crowd awaiting to gain admittance at either of the two shows.

The bill offered for Christmas week proved, like the rest we have seen for the last seven weeks, a winner.

This being the last week of the Brooks-Smith players, they offer a beautiful little western drama in two scenes, "Chip, the Tomboy Girl." Miss Theresa Burroughs appears as Chip, the Tomboy Girl. Miss Burroughs is one of the few actresses that has made many friends on and off the stage during the run of the Brooks-Smith players at the end of their engagement. The Crown Garden patrons in the future will look forward to an engagement of Miss Burroughs as real pleasure.

The comedy is taken care of by Mr. Speedy Smith, who has won favor as a comedian throughout the city. Mr. Brooks, the manager of the Brooks-Smith players, has received great credit as to the production of each of his shows. While he himself has done well as an actor. The vaudeville part of the show is, as usual, good and clever. Mr. John W. F. Woods, the ventriloquist, with that little wooden figure, Little Henry, is and has been, each week during his six weeks' engagement, a terrific hit. I have been told by Mr. Tim Owsley, the manager of the Crown Garden, that Mr. Woods was truly a box office attraction. Miss Ludelle Price, that singing girl, who is a member of the Brooks-Smith players, scored heavily with the song, "That Minor Strain." Mr. Fergerson, the only new face on the bill this week, was very good. The show as a whole is well worth the admission charged.

Note.

S. H. Dudley and the Smart Set were highly entertained at a professional matinee during their engagement in the city, given by Tim E. Owsley, manager of the Crown Garden. And it was the biggest matinee ever witnessed at the Crown Garden, having five hundred in attendance.

A Happy and Prosperous New Year to the Profession. Yours in Fidelity,

THERESA BURROUGHS.

NOTES FROM LYRE THEATER, LOUISVILLE, KY.

The Eight Tar Babies opened to a packed house at each of the three acts. The show opens with Nickles & Boone in a dancing act. This act was very favorably received. The leading comedians are Tom Gales and Clay Price, and they furnish plenty of comedy. Miss Clay Price sings "My Old Kentucky Home" very good. Bud Sanders is seen in a female impersonation, and he has his audience fooled clean up until he removes his wig in the final of the last act. He sings "Beautiful Doll" in fine style. Miss Cook sang "Todelo Tune" very satisfactorily. She received several encores on this number. The show is under the management of Mr. Clay Price. Harry Ross, sole owner.

Joseph Clark, Jr., formerly stage manager of the Lyre Theater, Louisville, Ky., and general manager of Star Theater, New Albany, Ind., has organized an all-star stock company, known as Joseph Clark's Ten Dixie Troubadours. They are booked to open at the Auditorium Theater, Philadelphia, Pa., January 1, for four weeks with Washington, D. C., to follow. Wm. H. Taylor, formerly leader of the Lyre orchestra, Louisville, Ky., has been engaged as musical director, with Robert Clark as stage manager.

DIXIE THEATER, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Handed Package by "Old Performer."

Having booked the team of Ward and Smith (Billy Ward and Gussie Smith) through the manager of the Lyric Theater, Wilmington, N. C., to open the week of December 18 at a named salary and advertised them as strong as a feature act known as the "Black Dockstader," received a telegram that they (Ward and Smith) would come for a higher salary than named when booked. Late on Saturday, then having agreed by return wire, being placed so I could not help it, saying O K, to get here Sunday sure. But as yet have not seen them or had any letter of explanation.

Had it not been for Mr. Leon Long being at Wilmington and wiring me that they (Ward and Smith) would not come and saying he could send me someone else, my show would have been very much crippled.

I think it was a bad deal.

GROVER DANIEL, Manager.

"THE TRAVELING SALESMAN."

The attraction at the Park theater, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday is Henry B. Harris' production of James orbes' comedy success, "The Traveling Salesman," which will be seen here with a metropolitan cast at popular prices. Mr. orbes, in the play has produced "life on the road" as successfully as he depicted "life behind the scenes" in "The Chorus Lady." The story of "The Traveling Salesman," the scenes of which are laid in rand Crossing, a village of the middle west, opens on Christmas day. The first act shows the interior of the railway station, with the meeting of the principal characters, Bob Blake, the traveling salesman, and Beth Elliott, the pretty telegraph operator. Beth owns a piece of apparently worthless land, which suddenly acquires value since it is necessary to a scheme of improvement planned by the railroad company. Blake's employer tries to defraud the girl of her property through a perversion of the law governing the sale of land by the township for unpaid taxes. Of course Bob Blake comes to the rescue. The second act transpires in the drummer's room in the Elite Hotel, and here is shown what is regarded by everyone who has seen the play, the most laughable situation ever employed by a playwright—a poker game.

ATHLETICS IN CHICAGO.

The Douglass Center Club is again booming. The arrival of Jack Johnson in town is no doubt responsible. Prof. Mondy Robinson, or Kid Mondy, as he is known professionally, is the athletic trainer at the Douglass and hopes to not only turn out good athletes, fighters and wrestlers among his pupils, but expects to give to the colored vaudeville stage some good acrobatic novelty acts. Kid Mondy is also day instructor at the Monroe Club, a white athletic association.

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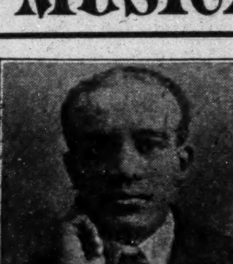

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW

By Sylvester Russell

HOLIDAY WEEK OFFERINGS.

Tallaboo Returns to the Pekin.

Chicago, Ill.

There was the usual large audience present at the Pekin when "Tallaboo" made its return trip on Christmas night for a holiday week season. The play was well presented, with but a few changes in the cast, as follows: Albert Graham replaced J. Lincoln Harris and Mrs. Hallie Payton played the college graduate and must be highly praised for making an impression at such short notice, with lines hardly committed and nervous; Arthur H. Dunham as Sam was again the hit of the performance in his natural comedy. His singing of "When Tomorrow Comes" was fine. Fanny Hall Clint was again the simple, refined servant of dramatic instinct, and Mrs. Nellie Stone Lane was equally convincing as Tallaboo. Mrs. Clara Hutchinson sang "Your Heart," by DeKoven Thompson, which was well received. The rest of the cast, which included G. H. Hutchinson, J. I. Harper, Mrs. Geo. W. Lacey, J. H. Wall, Mary Richardson, McCarty Washington and others, gave ample satisfaction. It will be stringently up to the present and future management of this house to maintain good, quiet order at the doors and to prevent insults in the buffet and to give actors a square deal who work without contracts. In these respects the presence of Robert T. Motts has been missed.

A Good Show at the New Grand.

Every act at the Grand in a new bill which opened on Christmas night was a novelty in its way, and this is the day when novelties take the place of fun with white performers. The Three Bartos, acrobatis athletes, were marvelously clever and broke all records in their line I've ever seen. The Florence Craig Trio was just as entertaining as a clever flirtation. Mr. and Mrs. Denver in a happy home-life act could be rated as good because Mrs. Denver is, or has the qualities that could make her, a great actress. Jim Ten Brooke's Trio furnished what comedy there was, and such as goes to make up a fair class of a bill. Nance Murry and Girls was a return of a former musical act, with girls, with new clothes and scenery. There was a similar act during the last half of last week, where, in a ragtime song, "Play That Violin," the singer is helped out by the violinist, who has to rise in the orchestra and play with the spotlight thrown upon him. Frank Tate, a little nervously embarrassed, but a good violinist and a fine looking young man, was the individual who caused the act to make a hit.

The Phoenix Turns Crowds Away.

The moving picture plays congested this house on Christmas day.

Rogers and Wiley at the Monogram.

There was a quick, breezy and flashy entertainment at the Monogram Theater when the week's bill opened with the Christmas matinee. Fred Rogers and Stella Wiley, who were the main new offering, gave quite a treat in singing and dancing specialties. Miss Wiley is the former partner of Bob Cole, of years ago, and up until recently has toured Europe extensively. Mr. Rogers is a very entertaining dancer and his singing was good. The Russells were with us again, but shared honors with all the newcomers on the bill, their comedy work being superior in its humorous flavor. Fanny Wise, still popular, opened her second week's engagement, and got a big reception, as usual. Allyn and Morton were a team of clever new entertainers. The straight man cut quite a dash and sang well. The comedian, who was good enough to indulge in more comedy, gave satisfaction as a good violin player, which rendered his ragtime specialties highly in favor.

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Chicken Reel Beaman opened at the Circle Theater, formerly the Orpheum, December 25.

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Will S. Le Vard has out a Dandy Dixie Minstrels this season, producing "A Holiday in Dixie." He reports that Bob Tasker, an old-timer, died in Buffalo recently.

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Tom Lemonier has left for Milwaukee, Wis., with the Overnight Company. He was very popular during his stay in Chicago, and everybody was singing his latest song, "Lovie, Dear."

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Harry Goodman is thinking of augmenting his act for an European tour of the Samoan Girls. There is a good opportunity for chorus girls, who may call or address him at the Pekin Theater.

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William Holland, of 235 Fulton street, Brooklyn, N. Y., is shortly to produce the Passion Play in moving pictures. William H. Russell, an elder and only brother to Sylvester Russell, is to manage the tour, and he will be found to be a hustling but cultivated chip of the Russell family.

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The New Walker Theater will have one best bet in the Happy Four Quartette. John Molloy, the comedian, is certainly a funny bird, and Charles McKenzie, as the Chinese, is a most realistic specimen of the quiet type of that race, as gamblers.

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"The Pumpkin Colored Trio" has gone over the Gus Sun Circuit. They open December 25 at Lima, O., with Zanesville, Marion, Ind., Cincinnati, O., Portsmouth, O., and other Ohio and Indiana dates in February to follow.

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The Carolina Jubilee Singers have returned from the East, where they visited Pennsylvania and New York. After the holidays they leave for the West. Walter Carter, Silar Frazier and Messrs. Wilson and Douglass were familiar strollers on State street.

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Word has been received by Mrs. Fred Carey that Eugene King, of King and Bailey, was buried at Copenhagen. Mention of the funeral will probably be obtained for the next issue.

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Allie Gillam, Charles Williams and their wives left last Saturday for San Francisco, Cal., to sail for Australia. Wise and Milton have already left and Rosa Lee Tyler, who has arrived in San Francisco, will sail first for Honolulu, with the Gillam and Williams party, before taking to the long 1,000 mile journey.

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Miller and Lyles recently arrived to spend the holidays. They left on Christmas night to fill a quick call engagement. Flournoy Miller informs me that their big novelty act, "Barnyard Frolics," with Campbell and Warfield as the stars, will take to the road immediately, booked over the big time.

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Fatal Passion.

Who do you love?
  Is the question asked
Of the one who loves
  The best friend last.

Passion's my fate!
  Is the blushing reply;
My weakness is fatal:
  My health fails—I die!
—Sylvester Russell.

THE PASSING SHOW AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

(By W. P. Bayliss.)

The bill at the Howard last week violated none of the traditions of the week before Christmas. It was quite replete with a variety of entertainment and performers as to make it very pleasant to attend a performance. On the bill were Abbie Mitchell, the queen of song; Pinkey and Walker, who apepared in a clever Chinese act; Josephine Gaines Tobias, a high-class character singer; and the Mahongany Quartette. Miss Mitchell sang "Love is King," "You'll Want Me Back," and "That Hyptnotizing Man" with telling effect. This was her second apeparance at the Howard. She opened this house in September, 1910. Pinkey and Walker made good and will be held over for Xmas week. Miss Gaines Tobias is not new to a Washington audience. Her work was highly appreciated.

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The Ginger Girls played at the Fairyland last week. They have been held over for Xmas week.

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People go to the theater to be instructed as well as entertained, and it would be well if a few of the performers would build up their act on something real that would lend flavor for food for thought as well as entertainment. Most of the great acts in vaudeville are founded on an actual fact—some personal experience or observation.

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The other evening, while talking with Miss Emma Griffin, of the Griffin Sisters, about the stage and general conditions throughout the country, she was asked by the reporter, how is it that so many performers of your class are playing vaudeville in colored houses.

"I do not know exactly why many others are playing colored houses," said she, but for ourselves, we are playing them for two reasons; first, it is rather hard to secure continuous work over big white time at the salary we demand; secondly, the time is rapidly coming when the average colored performer will be unable to get much booking over big time, and we have resorted to playing colored houses at a meagre salary because we get steady work, and believe that in so doing we are helping to building up the theater business throughout the country so that the colored performers can be booked continuously in the futre over colored time.

"Why do we work for smaler salary for colored managers? Because, as I said a while ago, it is to help them build up a business. They are, in comparison to the wealthy white manager and syndicates as a starting sprout of corn is to a well developed and grown stalk. They are young in the business and need to be cultivated until they get their growth in money and experience before the colored performers can demand and get decent salaries. The business is not only just beginning with the colored managers, but it is really the starting of a field for the colored performers." She continued, "It is simply a question of a few years until the vaudeville situation will be such that there will be no place for the colred performer to work other than for colored managers and in colored house."

"Do you think the time will come when colored and white performers will play for both white and colored managers."

"No! Not any ways soon. The theatrical proposition will assume the same condition as the colored church and school, only this matter will be worked backwards. The white teachers started colored schools and churches, but the colored performer started on the white stage. The color line is already drawn and sharply fixed, and it is up to the colored performers to unite with the colored managers all over the country and help them build up a business, which can be done in a very short time, so that all over the country there will be colored theaters to play just the same as there are colored schools and churches."

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There will be a matinee every day during Xmas week at the Minnehaha theater. Manager Tyler has selected a large number of feature pictures for the week.

Merryweather and Brown closed their sixth week in the Capital last week at the Foraker Theater. Managers Payne and Green say they find them a clever team and a big drawing card.

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The bill at the Howard for Xmas week consists of J. Rosamond Johnson, the Sambo Girls, Andrew Tribble and Jeff De Mount, Sandifer and Gant, Pinkey and Walker and Maha Rajah.

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Miss Abbie Mitchell denies that she will be with "My Friend from Dixie" this season.

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It has been heralded about the country that Mr. Thomas, manager of the Howard Theater, was compelled to pay the manager of Mrs. Aida Overton Walker's company $1,000 before he would send the troupe to play at the Howard Thanksgiving week. Mr. Thomas says he did not pay the sum of $1,000 for her services during that week.

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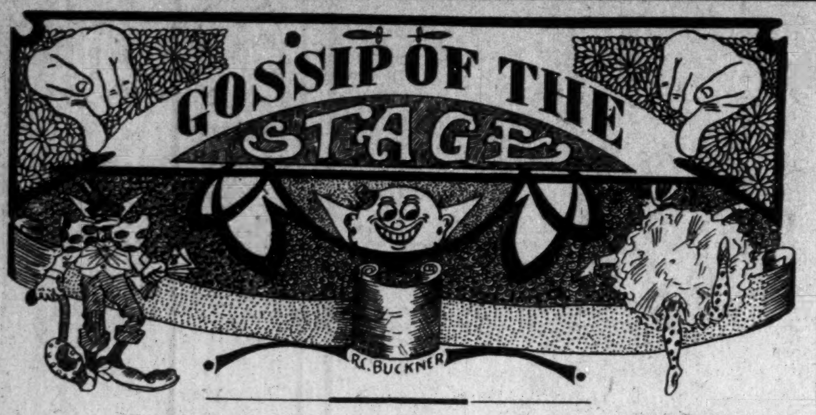

Every Man.)

Wht do I wnt for Christmas? A present for myself;
Well, what I'm going to ask for boys, isn't on the merchant's shelf;
Yet it's not expensive, but beyond the reach of gold,
And cn be given by every man, be he young or old.
I want the friendship of every man, whether my kin or kind;
If he be maim, if he be lame, if he be dumb or blind;
If he be rich, if he be poor, be he a king or czar;
Be he in health, be he in wealth, be he near or far;
Be white, behe black, be he of any race,
Just so he's a friend behind my back as when we meet face to face.
I want the friendship of every man—the kind that will never wane;
The kind that will last through health 'til death, through all my mortal pain;
The kind that will make us meet and greet each other on the square,
And take the part of the absent one if abused when he's not there;
The kind that will help me do the right when I would do the wrong,
And do by him as I would be done all my whole life long.
If one can give a Christmas gift like one of these to me,
Then tell Santa Claus to hang it on my Christmas tree.

STAGE NOTES.

James Thomas Price resting at 38 East Front street, Florence, S. C.

Chicken Reel Beamon opened up at Circle Theater, Philadelphia December 25.

Winn and Nugent are at the Grand Theater, Chattanooga, going big. Little Carrie Nugent is a dance wonder. Joe Winn keeps up a good line of fun.

Will H. Vodery, who has charge of the musical end of the Smart Set Company, dropped into The Freeman office during the company's stay in Indianapolis last week.

GEORGIA CAMP MEETING MINSTREL COMPANY.

The company is playing to packed houses.

Jimmy Wilson and Lola Anderson, singing, dancing and roller skating artists, joined last week and are making a big hit.

Louise LeVine, known as the Dancing Doll, still leaves them talking about her dancing.

Happy Bill Briggs, comedian with the show, is taking four and five encores nightly.

Minstrel Mitchell in his old-fashioned darkey stump speech is making them cry with joy.

FANNIE WISE.

By Geo. Slaughter.

The subject of this little sketch is one of the best known and best beloved prima donnas on the negro stage. Miss Wise is a natie of New York City and started her career as a singer in the churches of the Metropolis. She has a voice of great power and sweetness, being able to render with ease either the classics of the world's great composers or with surpassing fascination and charm, the popular songs of the day. She is at her best in operatic selections where her broad intelligence and naturally amotional nature enable her to interpret the composer's mood and thought with singular accuracy. Her rendition of the song "Bleeding Moon" is masterly, and probably she has become more widely known through this Indian Melody than for anything else she has done. Miss Wise has the happy and enviable faculty of gaugeing the musical comprehension of the audience to a nicetyJshe is equally the favorite of the untrained who simply wants a bunch of melody for his share, or the critic, whose superior training and knowledge of technique, causes him to demand and be satisfied with only the efforts of the artist. In addition to her ability as a musical artist Miss Wise has a remarkable stage presence. Her entrance is always the signal for unstinted applause. Unlike so many of our singers who attain popularity, Miss Wise seems never to be bothered with what for a better word we may call "grouches." It is commonly thought that people of genius have a rare right to inflict their moods and tenses on the audience with impunity, and this tendency has been the cause of more than one manager going to the poor house. Miss Wise is not the least bit self-conscious, not the least bit egotistic—she is just a sweet talented girl, happy in her art and in the fact that through it she can bring a little sunshine into the shadowy lives of most of us plain ordinary folk who tread the paths of mediocrity and never get a glimpse of the region above the clouds save when she or some one like her takes us there upon the wings of divine melody. Miss Wise has studied in England among the masters and addained her position among musical stars only after long and arduous effort.

At the Lyre recently the writer of this humble tribute had the pleasure of hearing her sing the song which has made her famous and he could scarcely tell whether the spell she seemed to cast over the audience was more the effect of the nightingale rhapsody which came from her throat, than the effect of her evident pleasure in her own efforts. She seems to sing for the joy of the singing—for the true artist's natural love for the work of his soul, and as we sat there the immortal words of Kipling's "Earth's Last Picture" came to mind. Scan them reader and see if we are right in saying that a woman like Fannie Wise gave the poet his inspiration.

And only the Master shall praise us,
And only the Master shall blame;
And no one shall work for money,
And no one shall work for fame;
But each for the joy of the working,
And each to his separate star
Shall sing the thing as he feels it,
For the God of things as they are.

FROM THE DANA THOMPSON SUNNY DIXIE MINSTRELS.

We are still on the reel, putting on a picture that makes good all the time. The show has proved, so far, to be the favorite, although this is southern territory. The show at present has a feature that has made good. "The Man Behind." We have lost the leading lady, Miss Ida Gardner, who has left the show to visit her family, but we expect her return soon. We replaced a very clever lady to take her place, as Lady Surlazza. The lady, Miss Willie Wallburg, has hal great success paying the part, and her voice just suits. Her song success is "The Vioin Rag," also Miss Lula Bryant is pleasing the people singing "Mandy Lu." Frank Perryman's band is having great success playing Remick's hits daily, and also standard overtures. The band is small but certainly gives satisfaction. The company wishes all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We are en route to Florida, Georgia and Mississippi. Chas. English would like to hear from W. L. Eldridge, the king of all. B. F. DeLeo sends regards to C. J. Scotte. Route—Culbert, Ga., Dec. 23; Arlington, Ga., 25; Columbia, Ala., 26; Blakeley, Ga., 27; Albany, Ga., 28.

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING.

By S. Tutt Whitney, Smart Set Co.

The New Year and Resolutions.

Ring out ye bells, ring mournfully,
Let your intonations muffl be,
The Old Year's passing noiselessly
Into God's unknown eternity.

Ring out the blunders, the mistakes;
Disappointments, sorrows and heartaches.
Ring out dead hopes, ring out the fears;
Resolves forgotten and the tears.

Ring out, ye bells, ring mournfully,
Let your intonations muffled be,
The Old Year's passing noiselessly
Into God's unknown eternity.

Ring out, ye bells, ring, wildly ring,
Let your intonations loudly sing,
Make every echo join the hymn,
And greet the New Year coming in.

Ring in the good, ring in the true,
Ring in the strength to dare and do,
Ring Christ into each heart, and then
On earth have peace, good will toward men.

Ring out, ye bells, ring, wildly ring,
Let your intonations loudly sing,
Make every echo join the hymn,
And greet the New Year coming in.

Resolutions.

A simile is an express comparison, referring only to quality. So here goes for a simile. A resolution, like pie-crust, the better the quality, the easier broken. This simile might not pass in a school of rhetoric, but it is home-made and serves as an introduction.

We are now at the threshhold of a new year. A time for new resolves. The turning over to a new leaf. Some of us need a book. A time when hopes run high, and the joy of anticipation leaves no room for doubt as to future realization. ost of us make good resolves. The majority of us break the greater part of them. But this does not signify we should not make them. Nothing but good can result from an honest effort to keep a good resolve. So I will serve up a ew that I hope will be seconded and approved by the great unincorporatedfraternities of performers.

Be it resolved: That we shall so deport ourselves in the future that we will no longer be an ostracized, isolated people, outside the pale of social recognition; but prove that we are capable of assimilating and disseminating the virtues that make possible the highest civilization.

Be it resolved: That no matter how low or exalted our position or part, we will give to our work the best that is in us. That we will keep our work free from a suspicion or taint of vulgarity, never forgetting that we are playing a conspicuous and significant part in the ultimate redemption of our race.

Be it resolved: That we will lay away something for "a rainy day" "Felicitas multos habet amicos." Adversity has but few.

Be it resolved: That we shall live nearer the golden rule. That our interests shal be mutual. That we will lay our little hammers away, and without delay, join the C. V. B. A.

CLARENCE POWELL.

WHY CLARENCE POWELL BECAME A STAR COMEDIAN.

Noted Performer Won His Spurs Through Genuine Merit.

Perhaps there is no performer today who enjoys a greater name when linked with minstrelsy than Clarence Powell, who is now star comedian with the Georgia Minstrels, and when one looks into the career of this king of comedy one can but remark that he has earned his station by genuine merit. In the years that Powell has been behind the footlights he has accomplished rightfully what he pulled off his coat and rolled up his sleeves for. With his splendid gift of talent he took art and made a study of it as a student would until he became a master. In so doing he held on to originality and has never yet left her side. Whenever he had thought out an act that won the plaudits of the country over he did not hold on to it until everybody got sick and tired of it, but ,progressive-like, as he surely is, he gave them something new and at the proper time. Today he works as hard as he did when he was a mere unknown, and you find him a favorite everywhere because of that fact. Best of all, he is no knocker, but rather looks on the bright side of everything in life. He is the progressive performer and citizen of today, and those kind of people among our performers are a rarity. What is the best evidence we have of that fact? It is this: Powell enjoys the friendship of all the performers who know him and the managers won't let him be idle. A performer made of that sort of stuff cannot stay down, so Powell with his mannerism off of the stage and his talent on the stage, could not help but lead.

IN AND ABOUT PENSACOLA, FLA.

By Walker W. Thomas.

From the Thomas News Bureau. 18 South Targonna Street. Phone 821.

Special to The Freeman.

The Florida annual conference of the C. M. E. church convened last week at the C. M. E. church, and was presided over by Bishop Stewart. It was a very successful one from start to finish. All of the delegates reported a very delightful stay while in the Deep Water City. Rev. Chapman was appointed to this church of this city. This appointment was to the delight of his many friends....The Samaritan Lodge, No. 107, K. of P., elected their officers last week, at their hall. Mr. Perry Wilson was re-elected to the office of C. C.; E. J. Smith, prelate; M. L. Beck, K. R. and S.; W. H. Crawford, P. C.; A. C. Sawyer, V. C. C.; W. H. Madison, M. of A; W. M. McDuffy, M. of W. They will have their installation on January 11th....Miss Maggie Gillard, of New Orleans, La., is in the city as the guest of Miss Delia Calhoun. She has made quite a large number of friends during her short stay here....Mrs. Bettie Hurd Roberinson, of North DeViller street, died last week at her home. Her death was quite a sudden one and shocking to her many friends. She was a teacher in the public schools here....Mr. Jessie Dixon, formerly of this city, but recently removed to Chicago, Ill., died in the latter city last week. His body was brought here for interment, and was accompanied by his wife, formerly Miss Carrie Floyd, of this city.....The Douglass Literary Club of the Pensacola high school delightfully entertained last Friday at the school building with a social. Quite a large number of the younger set was present and an enjoyable evening was spent by all who attended....Miss Nellis Fernandez returned home last week from Snow Hill Institution very ill. Her many friends hope she will soon recover.... Mr. Perry Wilson will represent the local Knights of Pythias lodge at the grand lodge, which will meet in Jacksonville, Fla., next year....Bishop Stewart, of Birmingham, Ala., who was in the city attending the annual C. M. E. conference, which convened in this city last week, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Plummer, of North Raues street. He reported a very delightful stay while in the Deep Water City. ....Miss Delia Calhoun has been on the sick list. Her many friends hope she will soon recover.... Mrs. Mary E. Thomas is still on the sick list. Her many friends hope she will soon recover....To the delight of the mank theater-goers the Smart Set will be in the city on December 30th....The Douglass Literary Club rendered a very excellent program at the Pensacola high school building. Miss Maud E. Brookins was the guest of honor at this meeting.. ..Sir A. S. Jordan, I. C. G. M., was in the city a few weeks ago for the purpose of setting up a new temple of the local Knights of Tabor....Miss Bessie Gordan is out again, after a few weeks' illness. Her many friends are glad to see her improving....The Al. Dora theater opened last week with one of the largest crowds ever witnessed at the opening of a colored playhouse in this city. Mr. Francis M. Claiborne is now managing this place of amusement, and his many friends wish him a success in his new business enterprise....The foundation of the $20,000 Mt. Zion Baptist church has begun, and the work will be rushed right along....Mr. S. D. Jackson, one of the city's finest florists, would like for all of his friends to know that he is doing rapid business with his many fine plants.

It has been reported that the local insurance companies are not paying their many sick claims. I would like to call this to the attention of the colored superintendent. The only way to increase your business is to pay claims. It would be better for you and for all of us to belong to a colored company, but when you come with your wrongdoings we sure will let you and the company, and your company fall. Please do what is right.... Sir A. S. Jordan, of Indianapolis, Ind., who was in the city a few weeks ago, was the guest of Sir A. S. Brown. He reported a very delightful stay while in the Deep Water City....The $20,000 Belmont Street theater will open on January 1, 1911. It will be one of the finest theaters in this city, for colored people.

One Reason Why We Suffer Physically.

We, as a race, know too little of ourselves, and by our knowing such a little of ourselves, we certainly must undergo the ordeals of ills. There is not a race knows such a little of themselves as we. I want to say in this space, as the dawn of a new year is appearing, let's note our condition and realize our growing weak, and change, or else we'll number less instead of more. As I have only been in the science of medicine five years and one of them as a practitioner, I see the need of more colored M. D.'s that is if they take the proper interest in our people, and help them to learn more of themselves and it is better on the race. More money in their pockets and less trouble to the doctors. As a general thing I note that we are hard to treat because we know nothing of our physicue.

One of our greatest troubles is that we don't know the danger of letting diseases grow chronic. We haven't as yet known that diseases are even handed down to the third and fourth generation to come. When we realize that fact, we are going to grow stronger, mentally, physically, morally and spiritually. We find as a whole we are producing degenerates by not knowing ourselves. If we were to allow ourselves to note the looks of other races, how robust and what specimens of health they are, we might change. We have no reason to be as deformed as we are. If I say we are all blessed now, I would tell the truth. When we are ill we have our own physicians to consult, our nurses to help and why don't we do that? There is not a colored doctor but what he is too proud to explain to you your troubles. I would that I could spend one hour every day in advising you how to take care of yourself. Someone may say I've lived rough nearly all my days, so it's too late for me to know myself. But listen to what Abraham Lincoln says: "While the lamp holds out to burn, the vilest sinner may return." If we understand machinery, we certainly can take care of it, but unless we do we fail. In our bodies we have some of the most delicate machines and to preserve them we must study them. For we are the same as our fathers have been; we see the same sights our fathers saw; we drink from the same stream; we view the same sun, and run the same course our fathers ran. It is a known fact that we need teaching and if our leaders don't take the time how can we get it I think one of the greatest verses in the Bible is the one where it says "Know thyself." So let me urge the necessity of giving ourselves a few moments of study.

A. S. Magee, M. D., Pensacola.

Don't forget to report all of your news to the Thomas News Bureau, 18 South Tarrgonna street, phone 821. W. Thomas, proprietor.

LANGSTON, OKLA., UNIVERSITY.

By Allen G. Bowles.

Many of the students are going home to spend the holidays....President T. E. Page has been to Washington, D. C., for several days on business....Postmaster J. D. Hazelwood has recovered from a very dangerous horse kick....Prof. J. R. Hogan has returned from Oklahoma City, where he went on business....Prof. J. R. Johnson, Prof. L. L. Henderson and Mr. Braux were visitors at Guthrie, last Saturday....The program for the joint session of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., of the university was fine, and was as follows: Song; reading XIX Psalm; solo, "Beyond the Vale," Miss Daisy Brown reading, "The Psalms of Life," Miss Willie Lawson; oration, "Christian Association Work," Mr. E. A. McNeal; address, "He Shall Direct Thy Paths," Rev. Wilson; reading, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," Miss Carrie Bowens; quartet, "Ashamed of Jesus," Misses M. Elliott and L. Edwards, Mesrs. M. D. Lawson and L. Lewis.

"UTHERS CLUB" ENTERTAINED.

Miss Carolyn Stewart entertained the "Uthers Club" on Thanksgiving night, at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown, in honor of Miss Mabel C. Leake, of Covington, Ky.

The house was beautifully decorated with autumn leaves, fruit boquets and yellow chrysanthemums. The costumes of the ladies made a brilliant setting for the affair.

The first part of the evening was spent in solving a tree puzzle and playing prize whist. At ten o'clock began the dinner dance, which proved to be a great surprise and a very novel way of entertaining. About forty persons were present, and they departed at midnight with three rousing cheers for Miss Stewart as an ideal hostess.

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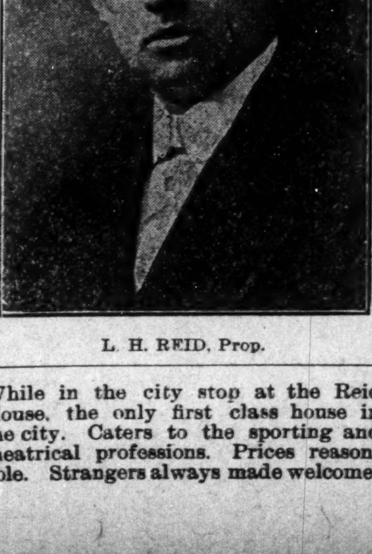

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Lang's Opinion of McVea.

SYDNEY, Australia.—"I've met the three of them now—Johnson, Langford and McVea—and I say McVea's the stiffest of the lot. I was in fine condition, yet look what happened! I'm too dazed to talk any more now!"

JACK JOHNSON SENDS AUTOS HOME.

NEW YORK.—Charles Brown, the chauffeur for Jack Johnson, arrived on the Prinz Wilhelm last Tuesday in charge of Johnson's three cars. One racer, one a limousine and one touring car, en route to Chicago. When seen by a News reporter at the Hotel Marshall, he said: "We, with Jack Johnson, enjoyed the hospitalities of the English people; in fact, the English are very proud of Jack, and were sorry the fight between himself and Wells did not take place."

JACK JOHNSON HAS REALLY RETIRED.

CHICAGO.—Jack Johnson, champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, weighs nearly 300 pounds and will never again enter the ring in a contest to retain his title, according to information received at his home here.

Johnson is on the ocean on his way back to Chicago, with his wife, who is seriously ill. He sailed with his wife from Liverpool recently, and before starting let it be known to his friends in Chicago that he had finished with the roped arena.

Johnson's friends in the "Negro belt" in Chicago had discussed rumors of the champion's retirement for several days past.

JOHNSON HAS NOT RETIRED

According to Latest Interview Obtained as He Steps on Native Soil.

NEW YORK.—Heavyweight Champion Jack Johnson, who arrived here from Europe, has gone to Chicago to spend Christmas. He vigorously denied that he had any intention of retiring from the prize ring.

"I feel fit enough to fight now," said Johnson. "I weighed 245 pounds when I met Jeffries at Reno and today I weigh 233 pounds. With me it is purely a question of money whether I will fight again, but I have not retired and do not intend to do so for some time yet. I was sorry I did not get to fight Bombadier Wells in England. I was in prime condition for him and have kept myself so ever since the bout was called off. I've lived a quiet life while in England and France and all those stories about me running around and drinking a lot of champagne are lies."

The Negro heavyweight brought back thirteen trunks full of clothes that he had ordered for the coronation. He also brought back a valet from England.

BOXING.

How Champions Are Made—Why Big Men Fail—Chat with McVea's Manager—High Opinion of Mehegan and Smith.

Billy McClain, manager for Sam McVea, not only possesses a "knockout embrocation," but also a recipe for the making of a champion boxer, and he told an Evening News representative this morning of its ingredients. Conversation had turned on the few decent Australian heavyweights.

"You want to know," said Billy, "why there are not any better big men? Well, I'll tell you. It is simply because your big men fight before they learn to know the game. You see, the great trouble is your big fellows never learn to be clever. If they studied the game they would be better."

"Australia," continued McClain, "is a country that naturally produces tahletes, but your big men do not, in their training, prepare themselves for a grueling contest. They go in, and want to fight before they learn how, and they adopt the old style of Joe Goddard. If your men learned the game properly, and went in for the Peter Jackson style, they would be the champions of the world."

"The fighting game now," went on William, "is scientific. It is not brutality. A fighter has got to know when he has a man in trouble, and when to knock him out."

"But a second who knows his business should be able to give his man that useful tip," suggested the reporter.

"Yes, he might," replied McClain, "and while on the subject of seconds, let me say that one of the most important things in boxing is that a second should know how to take care of his man when he comes back to his corner in trouble. A little advice of the right sort and at the right time is most valuable to a boxer. A trainer must know the temperament of his man—must know him like a mother knows her child."

"You think Australia has the material for champions?"

"I could pick out a half dozen big men here who would make champions if they followed my advice."

"Then you have a recipe for producing champions, Billy?"

"I have."

"And what is the secret?"

"It is a certain course of training that a man should undergo before entering upon a serious boxing contest. A trainer should find out whether his man is weak in the stomach, in the legs, or the jaw, and whatever be the weak part, that is the part upon which he should devote his attention to strengthen. It is the duty of the trainer to build his man up, especially where he is weakest. Fighters are born, but they must be taught science, and they must be taught the same as a child at school. No two men fight alike, and no two men train alike. To be a champion, a man must be a born fighter. He has got to have a good temper, and he must know how to keep his head. The boxer must listen to the advice of his chief adviser, who, as I have already said, must know his man."

"Take a man like Sam McVea," went on Billy. "Sam is a natural fighter. In teaching a boxer a man must instruct him like a dancing master does his pupil. He must teach him how to use his feet and hands just the same as a dancer is taught. If a man be not a defensive fighter, he has got that to learn. It is only one in a hundred boxers who has the makings of a champion. The little fellows are much better than the big chaps, because they are so much faster. You could count a thousand big fighters during the last three years, and out of that number you could take about six, and those six could beat the rest of the thousand in the game. Those who do not learn the game thoroughly must always remain in the same old groove, and be second raters."

"Whom do you consider is the best man in Australia?"

"Dave Smith. He is the best man in Australia."

"Better than Bill Lang?"

"Yes; he could for a certainty beat Lang over a limited journey. Australian boxers before always led the world. Your big men have gone back and the little fellows have come on."

"What do you think of Hughie Mehegan?"

"A first-class man."

"With a chance against Wolgast?"

"Yes, a chance against Wolgast and against any man in the world his weight. Dave Smith is also a champion of his own class, and has a chanace with any one on the globe his own weight. In fact, he fought the best man when he fought Papke. He would always beat Papke under ordinary circumstances."

"You do not appear to have a great opinion of Bill Lang, William?"

"Bill Lang is the best heavy man in Australia. It is not right for the public to boo Bill when he fights. He has done a great deal towards boosting the game. Every man who has been prominent during the last five years Bill has fought, and has helped to make their reputations. Lang is entitled to more credit than the public gives him. If Australia has a better man among the heavies, it has the making of a world's champion. Till she produces a better man than Bill she has not got a look in."—Evening News, Sydney, Australia.

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"TAR BABY" LANGFORD LOSES TO SAM McVEY.

Both Men Fight Until Tired Out, and Verdict on Points Is Hooted.

SYDNEY, Australia.—In the fight here between Sam McVey and Sam Langford, both American pugilists, McVey won on points.

The bout went the scheduled twenty rounds. In the first and second honors were fairly even, both men showing caution, but landing hard. In the third round Langford scared a heavy right to the jaw. McVey came back with a hook which sent Langford to the floor, but he got to his feet immediately.

The fifth round was McVey's. He continued to send the left to the jaw, and Langford's mouth and tongue were bleeding, and he seemed dazed. By the ninth round McVey had piled up many points, and Langford had been cautioned for using his forearm.

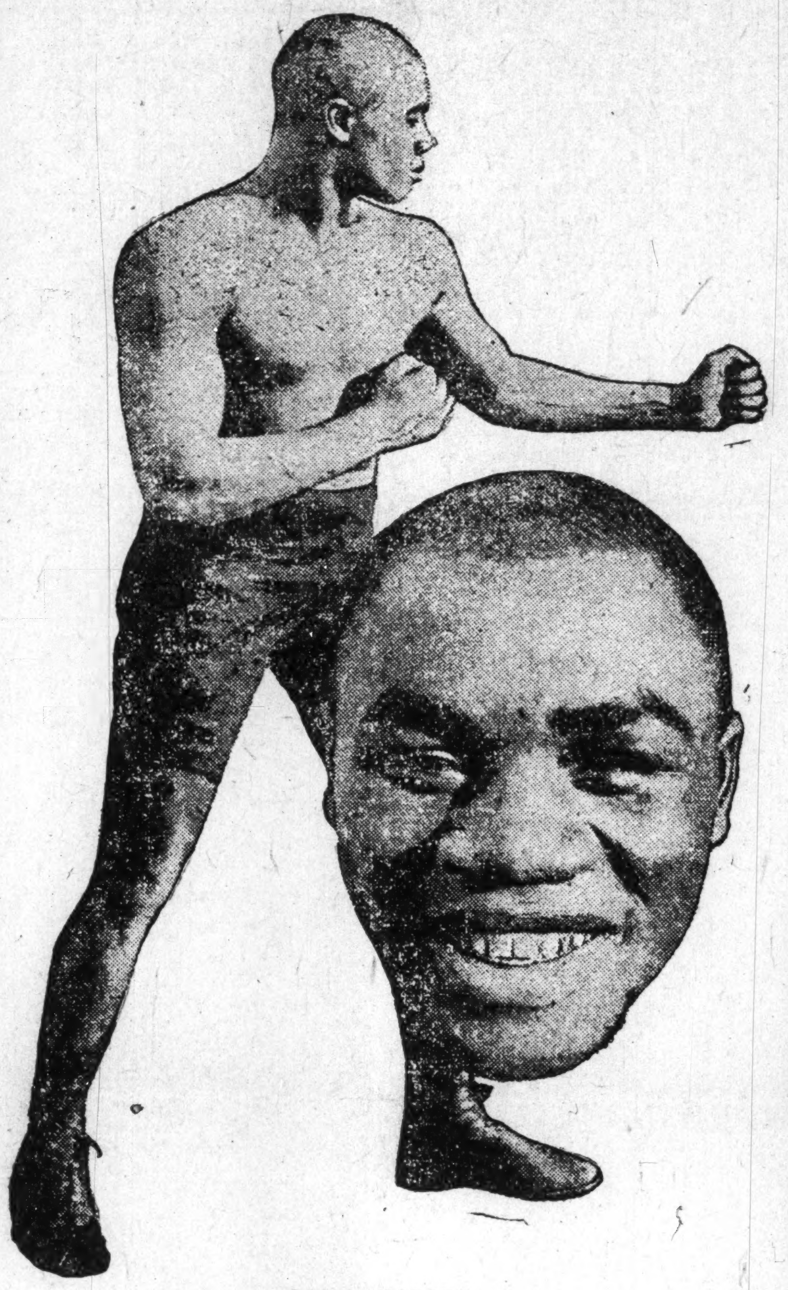
Both showed signs of punishment and Langford had a marked discoloration and swelling over his right eye. McVey's mouth and nose were bleeding. It was give and take in the tenth, but the eleventh and twelfth rounds were Langford's.

McVey's Clever Boxing.

McVey's left, which had done considerable execution up to this time, began to lack steam. For the next five rounds the men sparred, few heavy blows were exchanged. Langford was aggressive, but McVey outboxed him. Langford's eye was closed tight, his opponent frequently landing on this shining mark.

Both were tired and more than cautious in the nineteenth, and when the bell rang for the twentieth they came wearily into the ring almost too exhausted to fight.

They clinched throughout this round. All through the fight both men showed gameness and fought with extreme fairness, the crowd showing its appreciation by frekuent applause, but the verdict giving the fight to McVey on points was vigorously hooted.



SAM LANGFORD.

Who loses decision to McVay in Sidney, Australia, on Christmas day.

Eighteen thousand spectators witnessed the contest, which took place in the open air under a broiling sun. The betting was 4 to 5, Langford being the favorite. In-fighting was not allowed.

THE PAST SEASON IN FOOTBALL AMONG LOCAL COLORED ELEVENS.

Louisville, Ky.

Possibly in no other year have those who are fond of football had in Louisville so great a saturnalia of the sport.

Central, Alpha Omega, State University and the Cane Club have each met upon the arena, to the intense delight of their many partisans and we have seen some great sport.

To the uninitiated football has ever been a game hard to understand and difficult to appreciate. A few years ago there were in Louisville scarcely a dozen people competent to watch a game with any degree of appreciation. To-day there are in the city scores of football enthusiasts who never miss a game and who can tell intelligently about the various shifts and formations in regular "approved, up-to-date football jargon." This is gratifying indeed to those who have labored for many years to convince the public that there is in the game many virtues calculated to develop the mental and physical side of the young fellows, as well as much that contributes to social life.

It is the purpose of the writer, who has watched the development of the game among colored people, to give in this article a short resume of the season's games and also to say a word about its history in Louisville during the last ten or twelve years.

Football was first introduced into Louisville among colored people through the efforts of Prof. E. D. Patterson, who was an enthusiastic supporter of every phase of athletics. The first game was played in 1896, between Central High and State University. From that time on, with possibly the exception of two seasons, Louisville has always had one annual contest, which has aroused unbounded enthusiasm. After Mr. Patterson severed his connection with the local schools the work was taken up by Mr. S. O. Johnson and Mr. J. R. Harris, who worked for many years before there was anything like the generous response on the part of the public, without which their efforts could not have met with success.

Fortunately, there was located at St. Louis two gentlemen who were acquaintances of Johnson and Harris, and who were equally interested in athletics—Messrs. Huffman and Campbell, connected with Sumner High School. The four got together one year and resolved to form some sort of permanent athletic agreement which would result in stimulating interest in football and other sports.

Their efforts met with success from the beginning, not, however, without much opposition from those who did not understand the motive for the thing or who had been led to regard football as a dangerous game, appealing only to the more brutal instincts. By and by the boys who had been taught the game under Johnson and Harris began to graduate from the school, and they carried with them all the love for the game which their school life had developed, and as a consequence there has been formed in the city several independent teams, made up largely of boys who had learned the game elsewhere and of boys who formerly played on the Central elevens. Today we have the Cane Club, champions of the local field this year, and the Alpha Omegas, an eleven which succeeded in defeating Central in their first game.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

Mrs. Beatrice Jordan is suffering from a relapse.

Mr. John L. Jones spent Christmas in Decatur, Ill.

Mrs. Frank Hodge is improving after a recent illness.

Miss Eleanor Bradshaw is visiting in New Albany.

Miss Bernice Williams is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Percy Jones visited in St. Louis, Christmas day.

Mrs. Rella Hicks is rapidly improving at the City Hospital.

Miss Grace Daugherty is confined at the Lincoln hospital.

The entertainment given by the Kenedia Whist Club was largely attended.

Mrs. Rosa Johnson, of Cleveland, O., spent several days here last week.

Mrs. Ollie Freeman departed for New Orleans Friday for an indefinite stay.

Messrs. William Bell and Harry Logan visited in Covington, Ky., this week.

Mr. Charles Elliott, formerly of this city, now of Peru, spent Christmas here.

Mrs. Ethel White entertained a large number of friends at dinner Friday evening.

Mr. R. Byron Shelton and wife are visiting friends and relatives during the holidays.

Dr. J. H. Ridley, of Lexington, Ky., spent a few days here last week on business.

Mr. Richard Wright left this week for Jacksonville, Fla., for the rest of the winter.

Mrs. Susie Vaugh has been confined to her home for three weeks, but is slightly improved.

Mrs. James arris entertained at an old-fashioned Christmas dinner in honor of a few friends.

Mrs. M. J. Gibson, who underwent a serious operation at the city hospital, is much improved.

Mrs. Anna Brown, of Chicago, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Kate Minnis, in Martindale avenue.

Mrs. James Berry, of Louisville, Ky., is the guest of Miss Alice Dudley, 318 West Twelfth street.

Miss Herbert Webber, stenographer of The Freeman office, is visiting friends and relatives this week in Chicago.

Mrs. Walter Boyer was called to Louisville, Ky., on account of the illness of her aunt, Mrs. Charles McGill.

Mrs. Nora Tucker will leave for her home in Omaha, Neb., Sunday. She has been in the city several weeks.

Misses Jennie Tyler and Cora Lee, of Cincinnati, are the guests of Miss Lena Hubbard, in North Senate avenue.

Mrs. Reed Brown entertained with an elaborate luncheon Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. Anna Brown, of Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lewis, of Louisville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Lewis in West Michigan street.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Grundy entertained in honor of Mrs. Grundy's birthday on Christams day. Covers were laid for six.

Mrs. Moses Franklin, of Fayette and Twelfth streets, met with a serious accident last week. She is confined to her room.

Mrs. Mary Berry entertained for her guest, Mrs. John Brooks and daughter, Miss Ella, of Princeton, Ind., Thursday evening.

Messrs. Wallace Mitchell, Jerry Martin, Misses Lula Williams and Mattie Lyle, of Kokomo, attended the Smart Set here last week.

Mrs .Ellen Blaine returned to her home in Atlanta, Ga., Wednesday morning. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Lula Stafford.

Mt. Bethel Lodge American Doves of Protection, will hold their regular meeting at Pythian hall Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mesdames Julia awkins and Luella Walton, of LouisvillHe, Ky., are the house guests of Mrs. Robert Hendow, in Superior street.

Miss Etta Williams returned to her home in Chicago after a pleasant visit with her sister, Miss John Henderson, in West 11th street.

The Young Ladies' Club was entertained by Miss Esther Black Tuesday afternoon and an enjoyable time was spent by those present.

Miss Edna A. Scott will be hostess for the Regina Embroidery Club Thursday evening, January 4, at her home, 1124 North Senate avenue.

Mr. George Miller and Miss Nora Carter were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents in West North street, last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Daisy Turnley was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Louise Craig, and her sister, Mrs. Elwood Knox, Christmas. She was accompanied here by her little daughter Lottie.

Mrs. Maud Eaves, of Providence, Ky., who intended to spend Christmas with friends in this city, was prevented from so doing by sickness, but expects to come some time later.

Besides the regular services at Simpson chapel the 31st, there will be an old-fashioned watch meeting, from 10:30 p. m. to 12 p. m. Revival services will begin at the watch meeting.

Mrs. Hattie Taylor left this week for Hot Springs, Ark., for herhealth. She has been a sufferer from rheumatism for two years. Her many friends hope the change will do her good.

Misses Lena and Beatrice Jackson entertained with a theater party in honor of their guest, Miss Beadie Clay, of Frankfort, Ky., Thursday evening. About ten young people participated.

The G. A. . Club met with J. W. Brown Wednesday evening, and a dainty four-course luncheon was served under the club colors, black and gold. Cards and dancing were the pastimes.

The White Rose and Blue Ribbon Social Club was royally entertained at the home of Mrs. John isher, Monday, and an elaborate Christmas dinner was served and enjoyed by forty invited guests.

Mrs. Ora Jefferson entertained in honor of her guest, Mrs. Kate Mannon, of Chicago, Monday evening. A dainty repast was served. Music and dancing were indulged in until the wee small hours of the morning.

Mr. Clem Clifford and Mrs. Anna Knight were united in marriage by the Rev. H. W. 25, :etaoin etaoin etaoin etaoin etaoinn Tate, D. D., Monday, December 25, at 10 a. m., at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, 1009 North Missouri street.

Mr. and Mrs. David Burns held a family reunion at their home in Bright street, Christmas day. Relatives from Pittsburg, Pa., Lancaster, Ky., and Springfield, O., were in attendance. Every enjoyment to correspond with the occasion was added.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Price, 522 East Twenty-third street, entertained several of their friends Wednesday, the 27th. Among those present were Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Tate, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Starks, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Leftwich and Mr. Perry Mass.

Mr. Nelson Oneil and wife, of Lexington, Ky., passed through the city last Saturday on their way home after visiting Crawfordsville, Ind. Mr. Oneil is a railroad man, running into Lexington for the present. He thinks he will have a run out from Cincinnati in the very near future.

Miss Julia Morton, of North Senate avenue, delightfully entertained the Regina Embroidery Club on last Thursday evening. A dainty luncheon was served, and all departed voting Miss Morton to be a most hospitable hostess. The club will next be entertained by Mrs. Madge Level, of West Thirteenth street.

The death of Henry Smith, of this city, occurred at the Soldiers' Home at Marion, Ind., Wednesday, December 20th, after an illness of several months. The funeral took place at the Home Thursday afternoon. Mr. Smith leaves a wife, daughter, son, a grandson and step-son, Prof. R. Roy Pope, director of the Ringling Bros. Circus Annex band. The deceased was a grave digger at Crown Hill cemetery for twenty years.

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CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. Lucy Van Dyke was called to Dayton on account of the illness of her sister, Miss Pinkie Williams, formerly one of Indianapolis' well-known society girls. She departed this life December 17, in Dayton, O., and was brought to Indianapolis for burial Tuesday, December 19, by her sister, Mrs. Lucy Van Dyke, and her uncle, Mr. Preston West. The funeral services were held at the residence of her sister Mrs. Van Dyke, 444 West Vermont street, Rev. B. J. Prince, of the Second Baptist church, officiating. Interment at Crown Hill cemetery. We wish to thank the many friends and acquaintances of Dayton, especially Undertaker Wm. W. Roller & Sons of Dayton, and Undertakers Shelton & Willis of this city. We also wish to thank our friends for the many beautiful floral tributes. Mav God bless all. Mrs. Lucile Van Dkye, sister; Mrs. Hattie Williams, mother; Mr. Taylor Williams, father; and Mr. John Williams, brother.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Great crowds are expected next Sunday at the Emancipation Day exercises to be conducted at the "Monster Meeting" which will be held in the K. of P. hall, at Senate avenue and West Walnut street. Rev. Joshua Stansfield, pastor of the Meridian Street M. E. church, will be the speaker of the occasion, taking as his subject, "Emancipation." Dr. Stansfield has always been very outspoken in regard to the colored man and has ever been ready to advocate a fair play for him. This will be perhaps one of the biggest meetings that has been held by the Y. M. C. A. In addition to Dr. Stansfield, Mr. M. H. Minton will give a clarinet solo, and Mrs. J. L. Thompson will sing "My ood Old Mother's Religion," a song that was written after the composer had listened to an address by Robert Ingersoll, making the assertion that his good old mother's religion was good enough for him. The program will begin promptly at 3 o'clock, and as on former Sundays will be for men only.

Great preparations are being made by the management of the Y. M. C. A. in anticipation of the large numbers who will visit the building on oMnday during the "Open House" period, which will be from 2 to 10 p. m. New Year's day is the day of jollification in the Y. M. C. A. Beginning in the morning, the juniors will have a frolic in the gym. In the afternoon and evening "Open House" will be held, when the building will be thrown open to the women as well as to the men, and the various social activities will be participated in by all. In the afternoon, a basketball game will be held and at night a joint gym exhibition will be given by the seniors and junior classes, at the close of which a basketball game will be played. All friends of the association are invited to attend. A committee of ladies will serve refreshments during the tntertainment.

COLORED PEOPLE'S FESTIVAL.

Many Dancers at Charity Ball in Tomlinson Hall.

A large audience, composed mostly of colored people, attended the folk festival and charity ball at Tomlinson hall last night. The affair was given under the direction of Mrs. Lillian V. Brown, a teacher in the public schools, and it was for the benefit of the Alpha home and Lincoln hospital. The hall and the stage were elaborately decorated with evergreen, bunting and flowers.

The dances took place on the stage in front of a floral lattice work with evergreen. The dances presented were the Spanish, Japanese, Greek, butterfly and flower, Dutch clog, Virginia reel, Hindoo dance and minuet. The dances were all gracefully performed. The dancers wore the national colors. The Greek, butterfly, minuet and Virginia reel were heartily applauded, especially the Greek dance, in which the young women wearing white robes and carrying lighted candles above their heads, danced in front of an altar. The minuet was the only dance with men as partners. The Virginia reel was danced in old-time manner, in farm costume and was greatly enjoyed by the audience. The young people were trained in the dances by Miss Esther McNaull.

The music was by the Kioto Barbour Orchestra, with Miss Lillian Morris at the piano. Refreshments were served at the close of the program in a Japanese tea garden. Dancing followed until 2 o'clock. Mrs. Ida Bryant, an officer of the Alpha home, presented Mrs. Brown with a bouquet of roses.

CENTRALIA, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The marriage of Miss Lucy Belle Johnson to Mr. Frederick Ricks was solemnized on Christmas day, at about 12 o'clock, at the Second Baptist Church. Rev. Allison ociated. The bride wore a beautiful pale blue dress and carried a bouquet of white roses, and the groom wore a conventional black suit. The groom went to the altar with Miss Moore, of Champaign, Ill., while the bride entered on the arm of her brother, Nathan Johnson, while the wedding march was played by Mrs. M. Porter. After the ceremony the invited guests repaired to the home of the bride's parents, where a delicious dinner was served. Many costly presents were presented to the bride and groom. Mr. and Mrs. Ricks will be at home at 816 East Fifth street after January 1....The Odd Fellows had their installation at the hall Christmas night. A large crowd witnessed the ceremony.....Miss Bella Claybrook, teacher of the junior class, is spending the holidays at her home in Elksville, Ill....Mr. Fred Bibbs has come home from Springfield, Ill., where he has been for the last three or four months....Mrs. Dye was visiting in Cobden, Ill., last Sunday....Miss L. Edwards, of Decatur, Ill., is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwards.... Geo. Smith, Mrs. L. Brown and Miss P. Brown, all of Decatur, Ill., are here visiting relatives and friends....Mrs. M. Billip, of Carbondale, is here visiting relatives and friends.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

(By A. C. Oglesby.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

"In the midst of life we are in death." On Sunday, December 24, the funeral of Brother A. G. Green was held at the Tracy Avenue Baptist Church. Mr. Green was headwaiter at the K. C. Athletic Club. He was killed by a discharged waiter, who met him at Tenth and Central streets. What passed between them then may never be known, but when the smoke cleared away Mr. Green was found lying in the street, with a bullet hole in his breast. The man who killed Mr. Green was a bad character. Mr. Green had been headwaiter of above club for over three and a half years. The manager says he was an ideal headwaiter and a perfect gentleman in every respect. He was a member of the Masons, Odd Fellows and K. of P. The latter order had charge of the funeral, as it was his request. He leaves to mourn his loss a wife, three sisters and a host of friends. Mr. Green had been living in Kansas City for about ten years. He was a member of the above church and beloved by all who knew him....Mr. W. M. McKnight, the well-known headwaiter at the Famous Baltimore Hotel, a man whose heart is filled with love for his race and whose soul overflows with the milk of human kindness, caused tears of joy to flow from the eyes of eighteen grateful bus boys and nine waiters who work under him, when he summoned them up into the White Room of the Baltimore, as they thought for a lecture, but instead he arose, and, after a few well-chosen remarks, presented to each bus boy a bright new half dolalr and to each of the waiters a pair of silk suspenders, and also a pair to the manager and a box of cigars. Miss Clara Free George, the cashier of the Baltimore, presented to each waiter a silk necktie and wished each a merry Christmas, and the waiters gave her in return a very beautiful box of candy.

OUR STATE'S ATTORNEY.

Hon. John E. Wayman, Who Has Won Favor and Praise for His Good and Efficient Work as Prosecutor for Cook County, Is Out for Governor.

By John R. Winston.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

Everybody has something good to say for our worthy and capable State's Attorney, Hon. John E. Wayman, who has only a few more months to serve or to continue his good service to the taxpayers and people. His has been an administration of marching the big offenders to the bar of justice, in place of prosecuting the poor and unfortunate. There has been no railroading the weak and sheltering the strong. Only justice, as far as possible, has been meted out from Mr. Wayman's department.

There can be no question as to what the people will do when he comes up for nomination for Governor next spring. It is a general saying that it will be no partisan issue if our capable and deserving State's Attorney concludes to go after the honor of the governorship, and there would be no class of voters more pleased to help him to the chair as Governor.

John E. Wayman was born at Glen Easton, W. Va., on the 16th day of September, 1872. He attended the public school there until he was sixteen years of age, at which time he entered Bethany College, from which institution he was graduated five years later, at the head of a class of thirty-two, having completed the full classic and scientific courses offered by that institution. Space will not permit me to give you the full biographical sketch. In 1905 Mr. Wayman married Elizabeth Calef, of Monticello, Ill. They have three children, Anna Jean, John E. W., Jr., and Calef, and reside at 9533 Longwood Boulevard, in the city of Chicago.

In 1908 Mr. Wayman became a candidate for State's Attorney of Cook county at the Republican primary. During this campaign Mr. Wayman relied upon his own personal efforts and the efforts of his friends and acquaintances who knew him and believed in him, and relied upon his personal worth. He was not the candidate of any faction of the Republican party. Mr. Wayman was nominated and elected by a plurality of more than 55,000. He has fought for the things the people stand for, and his nomination for the governorship will strengthen the Republican State and National tickets. His election would insure an honest and able administration of public affairs and an efficient public service in Illinois.

YOUNGSTOWN, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Thomas Lonesome is on the sick list....Mr. and Mrs. Paul Corem, Henry Finney and Torrence Cross, of Cleveland, were in the city this week.... Mrs. Frank Curtis and company spent Christmas in Salem....Mr. Richard Boggess celebrated his seventy-fourth Christmas with a dinner....A number of Newcastle, Sharon, Warren, Salem, Steubenville and other surrounding city people attended the Elks' Christmas dance, which was a treat and a success in all respects....Mrs. Robert Docket returned home Sunday after a four weeks' visit in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Docket spent Christmas in Salem with relatives....Thomas Harvey, age thirty-two, died Thursday evening with pneumonia, after a short illness. He was well known in the city and was a member of Logan Lodge, No. 4, K. of P., and Gold Leaf Company D. U. R. The body was shipped by the lodge to his home in Alexander, Ala....Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Yancey, of Willock, Pa., are guests of Mrs. Sarah Clark, this week. ....Mr. and Mrs. David Brannock and family are the guests of Mr. Brannock's relatives in Natchez, Miss....Mr. and Mrs. John Proctor, of Philadelphia, Pa., Miss Blanch Miller, of Boston, and Mrs. Edna Thomas, of Cleveland, attended the party in honor of Charles Clark last week....David Boggess, of Ravenna, was the guest of his father, Richard Boggess, Monday.

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Testimonials.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a married woman and have been for ten years. I had only lived six months in any peace on earth in my home until I consulted this worthy woman. Two years ago, and since then, my home, by taking her advice, has been all that any family could wish. I am your sister in Christ,

MRS. W. H. H.,
Sherman, Texas.

To Whom It May Concern:

My dear readers, you are missing half of your life in misery and shame, worrying with a man that will not try once to please you, cherish or comfort you, and hold a bright light of good moral conduct before his children, by making home happy. Now, listen; if you have sighed, worried, cried and pleaded with him, and to no avail, you pray and let Madame McNairdee advise you. I know you will never regret it. My husband was a drunkard, a run-about and around, a gambler, and the most wicked man that our Lord ever let live, until all at once, after reading so often of this woman, I took up courage and let her hear from me. o-day, I will say it is on a stair-steps of ibles, I have a model man in every respect. I will praise this woman as long as I have breath. She made my husband a man, a husband, a gentleman.

I am yours in Christ and S. M. T.,

MRS. T. G. D.,
Oklahoma, Okla.

My Dear Friends:

I am now making my own volunteer statement because this lady has caused me to be so happy. I would like so much to give you my name, but I hope you know why. I went with a young man two years and we spat all the time. We were twice engaged and he would disappoint me, until I consulted this wonderful lady. Now we are married, and have been for near three years. He is so nice and kind to me. I told him a few months ago of this advice and he would not agree with me until he lost his job, and then made up his mind, and do you know that my husband has one of the best jobs of his life by consulting her. No matter what you want to do or know, let her hear from you, and I vow you will never regret it. I cannot help believing that she is sent of God to do just what she is doing, and you never hear of a thing ugly that she has done. I visited her during the K. of P. Supreme Lodge, and I never met a nicer lady. I am a Christian and a leader in a good many church clubs. We chatted a good deal of such things. I find her very entertaining. I am, as ever, her friend,

MRS. JOSIE T. M.,
Washington, D. C.

To Whom It May Concern.

I have always been one of those that did not give any thought of this until about four years ago I had a great trouble and it cost me almost every dime I had, and my mother asked me one day to tell some of this trouble to this woman that we read so much about in our papers. Mother says, "I feel that she can help you." I had to laugh with tears in my eyes, for I was in jail; then finally I said, "Suit yourself; anything now, so I come clear and get out of here." She let this woman hear from her and about me. We never can forget what this woman said in reply. She said in substance, "If you will pray and trust God, I will do the rest." And bless her to-day and forever. I was called to trial, and every witness that could be found spoke in my behalf, and those who did not could not be found. I was returned to jail twice and then set free. Do you blame me for saying she is a power unknown, to help those who seek her aid? I am now doing business for myself and making good. Every month I send her twenty dollars. I have done this for four months, and shall always divide my last dime with her. I am her friend at all times.

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